

## CHAPTER VII.

### FINANCIAL OPERATIONS.

#### INTRODUCTION.

*Form of accounting.*—Statistics of the financial transactions of street and electric railways have been collected in conformity with the standard classification of accounts and form of report adopted by the American Street and Interurban Railway Accountants' Association. This classification and this form are practically the same as those used at the census of 1902, which were devised by the Street Railway Accountants' Association of America. The system of uniform accounts used at this census has the approval of practically all of the electric railways of the country and is in use either in its entirety or in a modified form by the majority of them. The method of accounting in use by some companies, however, differed in many important respects from the standard form, while in the case of other companies there were slight differences that could be readily adjusted. For all companies that furnished financial statistics, however, it was found possible to rearrange the details so as to supply totals for the main items enumerated in the standard form of report. As a rule, the statistics were obtained from bookkeeping entries, but in a few cases it was necessary to resort to estimates for the segregation of totals.

*Allied industries.*—Complications and difficulties were encountered most frequently in obtaining financial statistics for railways that were operated in connection with other industries, since often in such cases separate accounts were not kept for the various branches of the business. These companies may be arranged in four classes, as follows:

1. *Electric-railway companies operating pleasure resorts.*—Parks, summer hotels, theaters, and pleasure resorts, when operated by electric railways for the purpose of attracting travel, were treated as a part of the railway system, and their income and expenses were included in the railway income account, the cost or value of such properties being regarded as a part of the assets of the railway.

2. *Electric-railway companies selling electric current.*—For census purposes these companies were in turn divided into three groups, as follows:

(a) Companies that controlled or operated light and power plants but that could furnish separate data as

to capitalization, equipment, income, and expenses for the two branches of industry. In such cases separate reports were made and the data for the light and power plants were excluded from the report on electric railways.

(b) Companies that controlled or operated light and power plants and could supply separate data for the two branches of industry in the case of equipment, income, and expenses but not in the case of capitalization. In such cases the entire capitalization was included in the railway report, which also included the net income from the lighting plant, the total taxes, and all other fixed charges. The cost or value of the lighting plant was necessarily included in the cost or value of the entire plant, but was shown in the balance sheet as "other permanent investments." With these exceptions the statistics for such lighting plants were included in the report for central electric light and power stations.

(c) Companies which could not segregate any of the statistics so as to make separate reports for the two branches of the industry. In such cases the gross income and expenses of the light and power plant were included in the income and expense account of the railway, and the cost of construction and equipment of the light plant formed a part of the total reported for the railway company. Where possible, however, separate amounts for the two branches of service are shown in the detailed expense account, except under the heading of "power-plant expense," which in nearly all cases represents the total expense for both railway and lighting operations.

3. *Companies operating both steam and electric railways.*—These companies may be subdivided into the three following groups:

(a) Companies for which a segregation could be made of the statistics so as to include complete data for the electric railways in this report.

(b) Companies for which it was necessary to make a partial combination of the statistics, and to include in the report for electric railways the net income from the steam road and the total taxes and other fixed charges in the income account and the cost or value of the steam road as "other permanent investments" in the balance sheet of the electric road.

(c) Companies for which no separate financial statistics concerning their electric-railway properties could be obtained.

4. *Companies carrying on other industries, such as gas or ice plants, waterworks, ferries, etc., in connection with the operation of the electric railway.*—In such cases the net income from the secondary industry, and the total taxes and other fixed charges were included in the income account, and the cost or value of the plant, in the balance sheet of the railway, as "other permanent investments." An exception to this rule was made in the case of 2 companies operating ferries, which contended that the ferry service was an integral part of the railway operations, and that no separation could be made of their financial statistics. The income, expenses, etc., of the ferries were therefore treated as a part of the corresponding accounts of the railway.

The following statement, classifying electric-railway companies according to the extent to which they carried on secondary enterprises, throws light on the difficulties of untangling intermingled accounts, in order to present separately, as far as possible, the financial statistics of railway operations.

In some instances the income from these secondary enterprises forms a large proportion of the total income of the company, and when the primary and secondary enterprises are carried on by the employment of the same capital, it is in most cases impossible to separate the statistics so as to show reliable figures pertaining exclusively to the operation of the railways. The income, whether gross or net, from the secondary enterprises is shown separately in the detailed income account, and the expenses of operation, when included, are also segregated as far as possible in the detailed statement of expenses.

*Operating companies, classified according to number and character of secondary enterprises: 1907.*

NUMBER AND CHARACTER OF SECONDARY ENTERPRISES.	Number of operating companies furnishing financial data.
Total.....	939
Electric railways only—no secondary enterprise.....	693
Electric railways in connection with steam railroads.....	14
Electric railways and one or more nonrailway enterprises.....	232
One other enterprise.....	129
Sale of electric current.....	109
Purchase and sale of real estate.....	7
Operation of ferries.....	4
Manufacture of gas—commercial.....	1
Some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group, including steam heating, manufacturing, operation of bridges or turnpikes, etc.....	8
Two other enterprises.....	84
Sale of electric current and commercial manufacture of gas.....	39
Sale of electric current and operation of waterworks.....	5
Sale of electric current and purchase and sale of real estate.....	4
Sale of electric current and manufacture of ice.....	4
Sale of electric current and operation of a ferry.....	1
Sale of electric current and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	28
Manufacture of gas or ice, or purchase and sale of real estate, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	3
Three other enterprises.....	14
Sale of electric current, purchase and sale of real estate, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	4
Sale of electric current, manufacture of gas, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	3
Sale of electric current, manufacture of ice, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	3
Sale of electric current, manufacture of gas, and operation of waterworks.....	2
Sale of electric current, manufacture of gas, and operation of a ferry.....	1
Sale of electric current, manufacture of ice, and operation of waterworks.....	1
Four other enterprises.....	5
Sale of electric current, manufacture of gas, operation of waterworks, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	2
Sale of electric current, purchase and sale of real estate, operation of a ferry, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	1
Sale of electric current, operation of waterworks, manufacture of ice, and some one enterprise of a miscellaneous group.....	1
Manufacture of gas and ice, purchase and sale of real estate, and operation of a ferry.....	1

*Companies that failed to furnish financial statistics.*— There were 6 operating railways in 1907 and 18 in 1902 that failed to furnish any information concerning their financial transactions.

TABLE 86.—OPERATING COMPANIES THAT FAILED TO REPORT FINANCIAL DATA: 1907 AND 1902.

STATE.	Name of company.	Miles of track.	Number of fare passengers.	Passenger-car mileage.
<b>1907</b>				
	Total.....	292.95	18,848,177	7,047,925
Connecticut.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (New Canaan branch).....	8.87	200,523	124,728
Massachusetts.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (Nantasket division).....	17.13	672,222	80,238
New Jersey.....	West Jersey and Seashore R. R. Co. (Atlantic City and Longport branch).....	18.55	5,735,823	1,173,056
New Jersey.....	West Jersey and Seashore R. R. Co. (Camden and Atlantic City branch).....	152.70	3,870,913	3,546,538
Rhode Island.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (Providence, Warren and Bristol branch).....	34.85	7,193,044	1,806,047
Virginia.....	Norfolk and Southern Ry. Co. (electric division).....	60.70	1,214,752	747,723
<b>1902</b>				
	Total.....	378.90	44,280,436	12,550,840
Arizona.....	Phoenix Ry. Co.....	12.00	750,000	255,500
Colorado.....	Boulder Railway and Utility Co.....	4.08	(1)	(1)
Connecticut.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (New Canaan branch).....	8.83	204,900	130,602
Connecticut.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (Berlin system).....	25.89	1,045,003	404,404
Illinois.....	South Chicago City Ry. Co.....	38.42	4,532,047	1,309,085
Illinois.....	Galesburg Electric Motor and Power Co.....	17.00	1,750,000	565,750
Indiana.....	Hammond, Whiting and East Chicago Electric Ry. Co.....	24.00	1,050,616	560,234
Kansas.....	Kansas City-Leavenworth R. R. Co.....	30.00	(1)	(1)
Massachusetts.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (Nantasket division).....	39.83	1,030,810	223,032
New Jersey.....	West Jersey and Seashore R. R. Co. (Atlantic City and Longport branch).....	19.03	5,206,304	1,438,770
Ohio.....	Wellston and Jackson Belt Ry. Co.....	10.50	928,025	207,112
Rhode Island.....	New York, New Haven and Hartford R. R. Co. (Providence, Warren and Bristol branch).....	31.50	4,520,804	1,123,270
South Dakota.....	Rapid City Street Ry. Co.....	2.00	(1)	(1)
Virginia.....	Southside Railway and Development Co.....	12.85	1,248,059	541,503
Virginia.....	Old Dominion Ry. Co.....	12.21	(1)	(1)
Virginia.....	Richmond Traction Co.....	18.75	6,795,046	2,248,024
Virginia.....	Richmond Passenger and Power Co.....	25.21	9,517,614	1,873,533
Virginia.....	Virginia Passenger and Power Co. (including West Hampton Park Ry. Co.).....	37.00	4,184,313	1,349,401

<sup>1</sup> Not reported.

The companies from which no financial statistics were secured owned only nine-tenths of 1 per cent of the total trackage and carried one-fourth of 1 per cent of the fare passengers reported for 1907; the corresponding percentages for 1902 were 1.7 for the trackage and nine-tenths of 1 per cent for the passengers reported. The fact that the number of companies and the proportion of traffic for which no financial data were secured were much smaller in 1907 than in 1902 should be kept in mind when the increases shown in the financial statistics are considered. The difference in completeness of the two census reports gives statistical increases for 1907 that are unreal, especially for Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, and Virginia, where companies that failed to report financial statistics in 1902 furnished complete reports in 1907.

No company refused to furnish statistics for the census of 1907. The 6 railways for which financial data were not obtained were operated in connection with steam railroads, and the companies claimed that the accounts of the two were so intermingled that it was impossible to make a satisfactory segregation of capitalization and financial data.

*Companies operating part of year.*—At the census of 1902, statistics were presented separately for 57 operating companies that made reports covering less than twelve months. These were not all the companies for which the reports indicated less than a year's operation, but only those whose part-time operations

were considerable. At the census of 1907 there were 55 operating companies that made reports for less than twelve months.

*Track and traffic of companies operating only a part of the year: 1907 and 1902.*

	1907	1902
Number of companies.....	55	57
Miles of track.....	800.15	831.17
Number of fare passengers.....	12,200,577	37,738,491
Car mileage.....	5,270,800	13,020,048

In addition to these 55 companies operating only a part of the year 1907 there were 16 companies whose operations were largely confined to the summer or tourist season. These are noted in Table 183, but inasmuch as their organization expense, taxes, and other fixed charges were accruing and payable for the entire year, they were treated as operating the whole year and were not included with the part-time companies. Of the 55 companies treated as operating only a part of the year in 1907, 50 were new concerns starting to operate during the year, 3 were in litigation or in the hands of receivers, and the other 2 had changed ownership during the year.

The average time of operation of the companies that operated only a part of the year was slightly over five months in 1907 as compared with six and two-thirds months in 1902. While such companies were only two fewer in 1907 than in 1902, they were of far less

relative importance, reporting but 2.3 per cent of the trackage for all companies and only two-tenths of 1 per cent of the number of fare passengers, as compared with 3.7 per cent of total track and eight-tenths of 1 per cent of the number of fare passengers for the 57 companies of 1902. The inclusion of these companies does not materially affect the financial results of operation, as shown by subsequent tables.

*Census meaning of state totals.*—In considering the state totals for the financial data, it should be remembered, as pointed out in the earlier chapter of traffic, that the totals do not necessarily represent the exact statistics of income, expenses, etc., of the traffic within the several state lines—since a number of companies operated track in more than one state—but rather of the traffic of companies that were credited to the respective states.

*Companies in Hawaii and Porto Rico.*—The financial statistics of railways in Hawaii and Porto Rico<sup>1</sup> are appended to the main tables; but they are not included in the totals—which relate only to railways in continental United States—and they are not considered in the text.

## I.

## INCOME ACCOUNT.

An analysis of the financial transactions of street and electric railways requires a segregation of the statistics for operating and lessor companies, and for income and expenses, and a grouping of the various items for roads operated under peculiar conditions. These segregations are made in subsequent sections of this chapter. The present section, on the "income account," is a general survey of the income and expense accounts of all companies.

All income from railway operations originates with the operating companies, but a portion of it is paid as rentals to nonoperating lessor companies, and is reported by them as income. Therefore, to avoid duplication, it is necessary to preserve the distinction between the two classes of companies. The number and importance of the lessor companies was not appreciated at the time the census of 1902 was started, and no provision was made for the collection of reports from them; but the statistics for many of them were compiled from the rentals reported as paid by the operating companies and from information obtained from street-railway journals and similar sources. For the 1907 census all of the reports for lessor companies have been prepared from information furnished by the companies.

*Gross income.*—The gross income of the 1,230 operating and lessor companies which reported financial data amounted to \$477,657,503 in 1907. Of this amount, \$47,500,933 was reported by the lessor companies as income from rentals paid by the operating

companies, and should be deducted to ascertain the true total for all companies, which was \$430,156,570 as compared with \$250,526,642 in 1902, an increase of \$179,629,928, or 71.7 per cent. These totals include a considerable amount of income derived from miscellaneous sources by both operating and lessor companies, which can properly be considered as a part of the income of railway companies, though not derived from the operation of the roads. Moreover, the income derived from miscellaneous sources includes, for 1907, an item of \$3,255,618 as income from interest on bonds and dividends on stocks of other electric railways. This involves a duplication in the statistics of gross income reported by all companies for the United States as a whole, since it represents the income from electric-railway securities which are held by other operating railway companies. The amount of the duplication for 1902 can not be determined.

Such items as operating earnings, operating expenses, and net earnings from operation pertain exclusively to operating companies, and the gross income for these companies is shown in Table 87, while the income for the lessor companies is given in Table 94, and for operating and lessor companies combined in Table 96.

TABLE 87.—Gross income of operating companies, by source: 1907 and 1902.

SOURCE.	GROSS INCOME.				
	1907	1902	Per cent of increase.	Per cent of total.	
				1907	1902
Gross income.....	\$429,744,254	\$250,504,627	71.6	100.0	100.0
Operating earnings, total.	418,187,858	247,553,099	68.9	97.3	98.8
Passengers.....	382,132,404	233,821,548	63.4	88.9	93.3
Chartered cars.....	705,261	303,608	132.3	0.2	0.1
Freight.....	5,231,215	1,038,097	403.9	1.2	0.4
Mail.....	646,575	432,080	49.0	0.2	0.2
Express.....	1,560,802	401,072	288.0	0.4	0.2
Sale of electric current	20,093,302	7,708,574	160.8	4.7	3.1
Miscellaneous sources.	7,818,209	3,853,420	102.0	1.8	1.5
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,396	2,950,628	291.7	2.7	1.2

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of reports for 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of reports for 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

Aside from the enormous increase shown in the annual gross income of operating companies, the most interesting fact developed by this table is the absolute and relative increase in the income from sources other than the operation of passenger cars. The income from freight and express business in 1907 was almost five times as great as in 1902, an increase which is traceable to the growth of business on the interurban lines. The amount derived from the sale of electricity to other companies, or to other individuals or corporations, has increased almost threefold, while the amount of miscellaneous income not from operation is almost four times as great. The increase in these items has reduced the proportion derived from passengers by 4.4 per cent.

<sup>1</sup> See also p. 37.



Next to ascertaining the increase in the amount of income derived from the different sources, it is of interest to ascertain the states in which the greatest increases have occurred, and this is shown by Table 88.

TABLE 88.—Gross income of operating companies, by states and geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	1907		1902		Per cent of increase in gross income.
	Number of companies.	Gross income.	Number of companies.	Gross income.	
United States.....	1939	\$429,744,254	*700	\$250,504,027	71.0
North Atlantic division....	865	197,226,943	350	132,794,700	48.5
Maine.....	17	2,293,197	10	1,571,562	45.9
New Hampshire.....	16	1,092,182	7	604,131	80.8
Vermont.....	10	454,232	0	249,228	82.3
Massachusetts.....	62	31,073,802	74	23,933,410	31.5
Rhode Island.....	5	4,459,937	7	2,904,200	50.4
Connecticut.....	8	7,378,090	21	4,355,775	69.4
New York.....	101	91,885,673	90	60,861,760	50.6
New Jersey.....	24	13,082,658	25	8,176,023	60.0
Pennsylvania.....	122	45,790,980	98	30,367,727	50.6
South Atlantic division....	100	20,604,080	75	15,104,235	95.2
Delaware.....	4	758,183	3	500,650	61.5
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	19	12,132,693	18	7,893,313	53.7
Virginia.....	22	5,401,415	10	1,667,022	224.0
West Virginia.....	15	2,588,725	8	1,102,171	134.0
North Carolina.....	11	1,295,477	7	442,467	192.8
South Carolina.....	7	1,336,457	7	653,780	104.4
Georgia.....	12	4,726,695	10	2,375,224	98.7
Florida.....	10	1,371,641	0	520,743	158.9
North Central division....	208	135,283,671	235	74,272,800	82.1
Ohio.....	73	31,274,001	62	16,600,851	88.4
Indiana.....	33	11,490,708	20	3,813,076	201.5
Illinois.....	70	40,951,652	48	25,020,257	63.6
Michigan.....	24	11,031,974	24	6,521,173	69.2
Wisconsin.....	20	6,062,617	17	3,923,884	69.8
Minnesota.....	5	7,056,608	5	3,727,048	89.3
Iowa.....	24	4,301,140	22	2,403,834	82.7
Missouri.....	14	18,082,732	10	10,734,092	68.5
North and South Dakota.....	5	112,129	.....	.....	.....
Nebraska.....	8	2,744,104	4	1,148,094	138.8
Kansas.....	17	1,476,846	11	370,481	299.2
South Central division....	90	26,353,014	60	11,380,200	131.4
Kentucky.....	13	4,791,933	12	2,933,800	63.3
Tennessee.....	9	4,480,951	8	1,808,835	140.0
Alabama.....	10	3,407,476	0	1,407,351	131.6
Mississippi.....	8	600,289	5	258,064	250.4
Louisiana.....	11	5,094,075	8	2,910,244	100.0
Arkansas.....	8	1,275,306	7	371,560	243.3
Oklahoma.....	8	677,057	.....	.....	.....
Texas.....	23	4,857,097	17	1,547,846	213.0
Western division.....	91	41,275,740	67	10,880,410	144.4
Montana.....	5	602,621	5	402,023	83.5
Colorado.....	11	4,483,254	7	2,227,760	101.2
Washington.....	14	8,402,600	8	2,542,900	230.4
Oregon.....	8	3,027,080	6	1,042,895	247.9
California.....	41	21,646,707	35	9,007,838	116.2
All other Western states and territories <sup>1</sup> .....	12	2,313,518	6	612,988	277.4

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>3</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.

Kansas shows the largest percentage of increase, followed by Mississippi, Oregon, Arkansas, Washington, and Virginia, in the order named. The development of the industry in all of these states, however, is of comparatively recent origin, and the amounts involved are small as compared with those reported for the more important states, such as New York and

Pennsylvania, where the amount of the increase alone is greater than the total income reported for any of the states above referred to.

Of the geographic divisions, the Western shows the greatest percentage of gain, followed by the South Central, South Atlantic, and North Central, in the order named. The relative increase for each of the divisions referred to is greater than the average for the country at large, while that for the North Atlantic division is below the average for the United States. This further appears in the following statement, which gives the per cent distribution of the number of companies and of the gross income, by geographic divisions, at the two census periods:

Per cent distribution of number of operating companies and gross income of operating companies, by geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.

DIVISION.	PER CENT OF TOTAL FOR UNITED STATES.			
	Number of companies.		Gross income.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902
United States.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North Atlantic.....	38.9	44.0	45.9	53.0
South Atlantic.....	10.0	0.4	6.9	0.1
North Central.....	31.2	29.4	31.5	29.6
South Central.....	9.6	8.3	6.1	4.5
Western.....	9.7	8.4	9.6	6.7

It is evident that the North Atlantic division, with its relatively dense population, earlier reached a point of fairly complete development of electric railways, and that the other divisions have now begun to make a similar development that gives them a relative gain in the census figures. The 6 states showing the largest gross income are New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts, and California, representing 3 geographic divisions. The combined gross income reported for these states formed 61 per cent of the total income for 1907 as compared with a corresponding percentage of 66.5 in 1902.

*Condensed income account of operating companies.*—Table 89 is a consolidation of the income accounts for the two censuses of all operating companies that furnished financial statistics. For some companies the income account contains what is known as book-keeping entries, such as amounts of taxes or other fixed charges which accrued during the year covered, but were not paid in that year, and therefore it does not agree with an actual cash statement of receipts and expenditures. Such statements, however, reflect the true financial standing of the companies at the end of the year covered by the reports.

TABLE 89.—Condensed income account of operating companies: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	1907	1902	Per cent of increase.
Number of companies.....	1 939	2 700	17.5
Gross income.....	\$429,744,254	\$250,504,627	71.6
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	247,553,090	68.9
Operating expenses.....	251,309,282	142,312,607	76.6
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	105,241,402	58.6
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,396	2,950,628	291.7
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	178,435,002	108,192,030	64.9
Deductions from income, total.....	138,094,716	77,695,053	78.0
Taxes.....	19,755,002	13,078,899	51.0
Interest.....	63,740,744	38,085,911	67.4
On funded debt.....	53,700,525	35,223,281	52.6
On other debt.....	9,974,219	2,862,627	248.4
Rental of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,506	25,518,225	88.2
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	912,018	621.0
Net income.....	40,340,286	30,596,977	31.8
Dividends.....	20,454,732	15,882,110	66.6
Surplus.....	13,885,554	14,714,867	5.6

1 Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
 2 Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
 3 Decrease.

This condensed form of income account conveys an idea only of the magnitude and relative importance of the totals for the principal accounts. It should be considered in connection with the detailed statistics of operating earnings and expenses, deductions from income, and general results of operation, which are shown in subsequent tables. The table may be regarded as representing all operating companies looked at as constituting a single consolidated system. It indicates that in the year 1907 as compared with 1902 there had been a larger percentage of increase in operating expenses than in operating earnings, thus relatively reducing the net earnings from operation, but that the earnings from miscellaneous sources had increased by a very large ratio, so that the percentage of increase in the gross income less operating expenses was not much less than the percentage of increase in operating earnings. The fixed charges and miscellaneous deductions from income show a large percentage of gain, and the amounts paid in dividends also increased largely. The result of all these transactions was an actual decrease in the surplus funds of the railways at the end of 1907 as compared with the amount indicated at the end of 1902. A decrease in the surplus account does not necessarily reflect an unfavorable financial condition, since it may be the result of changes in financial policy or bookkeeping practice rather than a change in traffic conditions. For example, large amounts are reported for some items under miscellaneous deductions from income in 1907 that did not appear in 1902, particularly under charges for depreciation and sinking-fund accounts.

The changes in the relative importance of the several objects for which the gross income was employed is shown by the percentages in Table 90.

In consolidating the totals for all roads the high and low percentages counterbalance each other to some extent, and the result is a composite showing which can not be accepted as indicating the actual conditions for any particular company or even the typical conditions in the industry. There were increases of 1.7 in

the percentage of gross income which was paid for operating expenses and of 1.1 in the percentage represented by deductions from income. The relative amount paid in dividends was about the same for the two years, while the percentage reported as surplus decreased by 2.7. Of the items entering into fixed charges or deductions from income, taxes<sup>1</sup> and interest have decreased in the percentage which they represent of the total, while rentals of leased lines and miscellaneous deductions have increased. The ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings is considered elsewhere.<sup>2</sup>

TABLE 90.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of operating companies: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.	
	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	58.8
Deductions from income, total.....	32.1	31.0
Taxes.....	4.6	5.2
Interest.....	14.8	15.2
On funded debt.....	12.5	14.1
On other debt.....	2.3	1.1
Rental of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	10.2
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.5	0.4
Dividends.....	6.2	6.8
Surplus.....	3.2	5.9

*Net income, dividends, and surplus.*—The net income is obtained by deducting the operating expenses and various fixed charges from the gross income. The net income of all operating companies combined in 1907 was \$40,340,286 as compared with \$30,596,977 in 1902, an increase of \$9,743,309, or 31.8 per cent. There were 668 companies in 1907 that reported a net profit on the year's operations, amounting in the aggregate to \$51,201,981; 4 companies reporting an even balance, neither profit nor loss; and 267 companies that reported a net loss on the year's operations, amounting in the aggregate to \$10,861,695. The difference between these two sums, \$40,340,286, represents the net income for all companies regarded as one entire system. During 1902 there were 565 companies that reported a net profit, amounting in the aggregate to \$34,352,684; one company that reported an even balance; and 233 companies that reported a net loss on the year's operations, amounting in the aggregate to \$3,755,707 (see Table 91). In other words, 71.1 per cent of the companies reporting financial data in 1907 and 70.7 per cent in 1902 made a net profit, while 28.4 per cent in 1907 and 29.2 per cent in 1902 reported a net loss on the year's business. The net income for the companies reporting a profit for 1907 exceeded the net income for the same class of companies in 1902 by \$16,849,297, or 49 per cent.

It is interesting to note that profits of profit-making companies and losses of loss-taking companies were

<sup>1</sup> For explanation of the proportionate decrease in taxes, see p. 160.

<sup>2</sup> See p. 175.

both much greater per company in 1907 than in 1902. Thus the net profit per company reporting a profit was \$76,650 in 1907 as compared with only \$60,801 in 1902, while the net loss per company reporting loss was \$40,681 in 1907 as compared with only \$16,119 in 1902. The gains per company in 1907 were 26.1 per cent greater than in 1902, while the losses per loss-taking company were 152.4 per cent greater. The 7 large companies which reported a deficit for 1907 (see p. 123) were responsible for much of the increase in the average loss per company from 1902 to 1907.

It is the practice of railway companies to regard taxes, interest, and rentals paid lessor companies as fixed charges, and they have therefore been deducted from the gross income in order to secure the net income from which the dividends and surplus are obtained. The interest on bonds, however, is as truly a part of the return to railway investors as dividends. Rentals paid lessor companies are also a return to the capital invested in the industry, because they become interest and dividends on the securities of the lessor companies. There are numerous cases in which the operating and lessor companies are virtually owned by the same persons. Therefore a combination of the accounts for operating and lessor companies, as given in Tables 96 and 106, is necessary in order to arrive at the total disbursements in the form of interest and dividends.

While there were proportionately greater charges against the gross income of operating companies in 1907 than in 1902, with the result that net income represented a smaller percentage of gross income, the holders of capital stock fared better in the division of the net income, as in 1902 slightly less than 52 per cent of the net income was appropriated for dividends, while nearly 66 per cent of the net income in 1907 was used for this purpose.

The increased payments of dividends<sup>1</sup> at this census caused a decrease of 5.6 per cent in the amount of surplus reported, as compared with 1902. Certain charges or adjustments are generally made from the surplus for the year, but as there is a lack of uniformity among the individual companies both as regards the practice itself and as regards the charges or adjustments to be made, the census statistics relating to general income account do not carry the analysis further than the surplus.

*Condensed income account of operating companies, by states and geographic divisions.*—A clear understanding of the financial operations for the census years requires a study of the statistics for the separate companies, but it is impracticable and contrary to the practice of the Bureau of the Census to publish separately the financial data furnished by any company. The grouping by states and geographic divisions, which is given in Table 104, localizes the statistics to some extent.

<sup>1</sup> For detailed analysis of dividends, see p. 100.

This table shows the operating earnings, and, in addition to the other items of the condensed income account, it gives the net income of all companies reporting net income and the total deficit of all companies reporting a deficit. The net result of the year's operations, whether a profit or a loss, is one of the most important facts to be obtained from the financial statistics. While in all but a few of the states some companies reported a deficit at both censuses, in only 1 state—New Jersey—does the total deficit for 1907 exceed the net income of the companies reporting a profit. For each of the other states a net profit was reported for all companies considered as a whole. Of the companies in New Jersey reporting financial data, 16 reported deficits and 8 net income balances. Several of the largest railway companies in the country returned a large net deficit for the year's operation, but, with the exception mentioned, the net income balances of other companies were sufficient in every state to overcome the deficit.

The states showing the largest deficits are New York, California, Pennsylvania, and Illinois, in the order named, and 6 companies in these states—2 each in Pennsylvania and Illinois and 1 each in New York and California—show nearly six-tenths of the total deficit for the United States. The causes operating to produce these deficits can be traced in some cases to large payments in rentals to lessor companies. The earthquake and fire of 1906 in San Francisco entailed a heavy expense and curtailed revenues for the lines of that city in 1907. Some of the roads reporting deficits are in the hands of receivers, and others are new roads which have not reached their normal operating footing. Minnesota is the only state where no company reported a deficit in either 1907 or 1902. Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, and South Carolina had no company reporting a deficit in 1907, and Georgia, Minnesota, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, none in 1902.

The following statement shows the per cent distribution, by geographic divisions, of the net income of companies reporting net income and of the deficit of companies reporting deficits for 1907 and 1902:

*Per cent distribution of net income and net deficit balances of operating companies, by geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.*

DIVISION.	NET INCOME OF COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME.		NET DEFICIT OF COMPANIES REPORTING DEFICIT.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902
United States.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North Atlantic.....	30.0	44.1	58.3	52.6
South Atlantic.....	10.8	5.7	2.0	6.2
North Central.....	37.8	33.4	20.7	37.9
South Central.....	9.3	5.8	2.3	1.5
Western.....	12.1	11.0	16.6	1.8

The states of the North Atlantic division show a decrease in their proportion of the total net income of

companies reporting net income from 44.1 per cent in 1902 to 30 per cent in 1907, while the other divisions all show gains. On the other hand, the states of the North Atlantic, South Central, and Western divisions show gains in their proportions of the total deficit of companies reporting deficits.

The surplus account (net income less dividends) shows a deficit for 7 states in 1907; but these deficits are inconsiderable, except for California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York. The last 3 of these states are responsible for a net deficit of nearly one-half million dollars for the North Atlantic division.

*Condensed income account of operating companies reporting net income and net deficit, respectively.*—The total deficit of companies reporting a deficit has been previously considered in connection with the net income for all companies. A presentation of the full income account for the companies that operated at a loss, however, permits a closer analysis of the statistics, and shows some interesting variations when compared with the totals for companies operating at a profit, especially in the percentages that show the distribution of gross income.

TABLE 91.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME AND NET DEFICIT, RESPECTIVELY: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME. <sup>1</sup>		COMPANIES REPORTING NET DEFICIT.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Number of companies.....	<sup>2</sup> 930	<sup>2</sup> 700				
Gross income.....	\$429,744,254	\$250,504,027	\$334,306,519	\$217,753,909	\$95,377,735	\$32,760,718
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	247,553,909	324,030,000	216,370,744	93,557,108	31,183,255
Operating expenses.....	251,309,252	142,312,597	100,734,840	121,264,907	60,574,412	21,047,600
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	105,241,402	133,895,850	95,105,837	32,982,756	10,135,655
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,396	2,950,028	0,735,820	1,383,105	1,820,507	1,507,403
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	178,435,002	108,192,030	143,031,070	96,480,002	34,803,223	11,703,028
Deductions from income, total.....	138,094,716	77,595,053	92,420,098	62,136,318	45,665,018	15,458,735
Taxes.....	19,755,002	13,078,899	15,974,845	11,354,983	3,780,757	1,723,916
Interest.....	63,740,744	38,085,911	40,161,890	30,917,983	14,578,854	7,107,028
On funded debt.....	53,700,525	35,223,284	41,805,583	29,081,596	11,900,942	6,141,688
On other debt.....	9,974,219	2,862,627	7,296,307	1,836,387	2,677,912	1,026,240
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,596	25,518,225	21,315,583	19,157,541	26,707,013	6,300,084
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	912,018	5,977,380	705,811	598,394	206,207
Net income.....	40,340,286	30,596,977	51,201,081	34,352,084	<sup>4</sup> 10,861,095	<sup>4</sup> 3,755,707
Dividends.....	26,454,732	15,882,110	26,444,087	15,775,079	9,745	107,031
Surplus.....	13,885,554	14,714,867	24,756,994	18,577,005	<sup>5</sup> 10,871,440	<sup>5</sup> 3,862,738

<sup>1</sup> Includes 4 companies in 1907 and 1 in 1902 which reported neither profit nor loss.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup> Net deficit.

<sup>5</sup> Total deficit.

TABLE 92.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of operating companies reporting net income and net deficit, respectively: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.					
	Total, all companies.		Companies reporting net income.		Companies reporting net deficit.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	56.8	57.0	55.7	63.5	64.3
Deductions from income, total.....	32.1	31.0	27.6	28.5	47.9	47.2
Taxes.....	4.6	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.0	5.3
Interest.....	14.8	15.2	14.7	14.2	15.3	21.9
On funded debt.....	12.5	14.1	12.5	13.4	12.5	18.8
On other debt.....	2.3	1.1	2.2	0.8	2.8	3.1
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	10.2	6.4	8.8	28.0	19.4
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.5	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.6	0.6
Dividends.....	6.2	6.3	7.9	7.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	0.3
Surplus.....	3.2	5.9	7.4	8.5	<sup>2</sup> 11.4	<sup>2</sup> 11.8

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>2</sup> Deficit (see Table 91).

There were 34 more companies in 1907 than in 1902 that reported annual expenses in excess of income. The relative importance of this group of companies had also increased, as it contributed over one-fifth of the gross income for all companies as compared with only a little over one-eighth in 1902. These companies show a higher proportion of gross income in the interest account, and a much higher proportion for oper-

ating expenses and rent of leased lines and terminals, than do the companies reporting a net income. The increases for interest and rentals cause a very high ratio for fixed charges or deductions from income—almost one-half of the gross income as compared with a little over one-fourth for the companies operated at a profit. The statistics of a few large companies go far to make up these large totals for operating expenses and rentals, in which companies reporting net losses differ chiefly from companies reporting net income. Indeed, one may well go further and point to the preponderant influence of 1 railway company in New York. This company reported nearly 40 per cent of the total rentals, more than 30 per cent of the total deficit, and about 18 per cent of the operating expenses reported by the companies of this group. These figures go far to explain not only the large totals for the group as a whole, but also the peculiar financial operations of which the New York company is the highly complicated result. The statistics of this and the other 5 companies mentioned on page 122, combined with the statistics of 1 large company in New Jersey, account for almost 95 per cent of the total rentals paid by the 267 companies operating at a loss, and the aggregate amount of their deficits accounts for nearly 61 per cent of the deficits of the group. Yet they reported

both much greater per company in 1907 than in 1902. Thus the net profit per company reporting a profit was \$76,650 in 1907 as compared with only \$60,801 in 1902, while the net loss per company reporting loss was \$40,681 in 1907 as compared with only \$16,119 in 1902. The gains per company in 1907 were 26.1 per cent greater than in 1902, while the losses per loss-taking company were 152.4 per cent greater. The 7 large companies which reported a deficit for 1907 (see p. 123) were responsible for much of the increase in the average loss per company from 1902 to 1907.

It is the practice of railway companies to regard taxes, interest, and rentals paid lessor companies as fixed charges, and they have therefore been deducted from the gross income in order to secure the net income from which the dividends and surplus are obtained. The interest on bonds, however, is as truly a part of the return to railway investors as dividends. Rentals paid lessor companies are also a return to the capital invested in the industry, because they become interest and dividends on the securities of the lessor companies. There are numerous cases in which the operating and lessor companies are virtually owned by the same persons. Therefore a combination of the accounts for operating and lessor companies, as given in Tables 96 and 106, is necessary in order to arrive at the total disbursements in the form of interest and dividends.

While there were proportionately greater charges against the gross income of operating companies in 1907 than in 1902, with the result that net income represented a smaller percentage of gross income, the holders of capital stock fared better in the division of the net income, as in 1902 slightly less than 52 per cent of the net income was appropriated for dividends, while nearly 66 per cent of the net income in 1907 was used for this purpose.

The increased payments of dividends<sup>1</sup> at this census caused a decrease of 5.6 per cent in the amount of surplus reported, as compared with 1902. Certain charges or adjustments are generally made from the surplus for the year, but as there is a lack of uniformity among the individual companies both as regards the practice itself and as regards the charges or adjustments to be made, the census statistics relating to general income account do not carry the analysis further than the surplus.

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<sup>1</sup> For detailed analysis of dividends, see p. 100.

This table shows the operating earnings, and, in addition to the other items of the condensed income account, it gives the net income of all companies reporting net income and the total deficit of all companies reporting a deficit. The net result of the year's operations, whether a profit or a loss, is one of the most important facts to be obtained from the financial statistics. While in all but a few of the states some companies reported a deficit at both censuses, in only 1 state—New Jersey—does the total deficit for 1907 exceed the net income of the companies reporting a profit. For each of the other states a net profit was reported for all companies considered as a whole. Of the companies in New Jersey reporting financial data, 16 reported deficits and 8 net income balances. Several of the largest railway companies in the country returned a large net deficit for the year's operation, but, with the exception mentioned, the net income balances of other companies were sufficient in every state to overcome the deficit.

The states showing the largest deficits are New York, California, Pennsylvania, and Illinois, in the order named, and 6 companies in these states—2 each in Pennsylvania and Illinois and 1 each in New York and California—show nearly six-tenths of the total deficit for the United States. The causes operating to produce these deficits can be traced in some cases to large payments in rentals to lessor companies. The earthquake and fire of 1906 in San Francisco entailed a heavy expense and curtailed revenues for the lines of that city in 1907. Some of the roads reporting deficits are in the hands of receivers, and others are new roads which have not reached their normal operating footing. Minnesota is the only state where no company reported a deficit in either 1907 or 1902. Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, and South Carolina had no company reporting a deficit in 1907, and Georgia, Minnesota, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, none in 1902.

The following statement shows the per cent distribution, by geographic divisions, of the net income of companies reporting net income and of the deficit of companies reporting deficits for 1907 and 1902:

*Per cent distribution of net income and net deficit balances of operating companies, by geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.*

DIVISION.	NET INCOME OF COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME.		NET DEFICIT OF COMPANIES REPORTING DEFICIT.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902
United States.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North Atlantic.....	30.0	41.1	68.3	52.6
South Atlantic.....	10.8	5.7	2.0	6.2
North Central.....	37.8	33.4	20.7	37.9
South Central.....	9.3	5.8	2.3	1.5
Western.....	12.1	11.0	10.6	1.8

The states of the North Atlantic division show a decrease in their proportion of the total net income of

companies reporting net income from 44.1 per cent in 1902 to 30 per cent in 1907, while the other divisions all show gains. On the other hand, the states of the North Atlantic, South Central, and Western divisions show gains in their proportions of the total deficit of companies reporting deficits.

The surplus account (net income less dividends) shows a deficit for 7 states in 1907; but these deficits are considerable, except for California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York. The last 3 of these states are responsible for a net deficit of nearly one-half million dollars for the North Atlantic division.

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TABLE 91.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME AND NET DEFICIT, RESPECTIVELY: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		COMPANIES REPORTING NET INCOME. <sup>1</sup>		COMPANIES REPORTING NET DEFICIT.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Number of companies.....	2 930	2 790	672	566	267	233
Gross income.....	\$420,744,254	\$250,504,027	\$334,366,519	\$217,753,909	\$95,377,735	\$32,750,718
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	247,553,999	324,030,090	216,370,744	93,557,168	31,183,255
Operating expenses.....	251,309,252	142,312,587	190,734,840	121,204,007	60,574,412	21,047,690
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	105,241,402	133,895,850	95,165,837	32,982,756	10,135,565
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,396	2,950,028	9,735,829	1,383,165	1,820,507	1,567,403
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	178,435,002	108,192,030	143,931,079	96,480,002	34,803,323	11,703,028
Deductions from income, total.....	138,094,716	77,695,053	92,420,698	62,136,318	45,065,018	15,458,735
Taxes.....	10,755,002	13,078,899	15,074,845	11,354,983	3,780,757	1,723,916
Interest.....	63,740,744	38,085,911	40,161,890	30,917,983	14,578,854	7,167,928
On funded debt.....	53,766,525	35,223,284	41,805,583	29,081,696	11,000,942	6,141,088
On other debt.....	9,974,219	2,862,627	7,290,307	1,836,387	2,677,912	1,026,240
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,596	25,618,225	21,315,583	10,157,641	26,707,013	6,360,084
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	6,012,018	5,977,380	705,811	598,394	206,207
Net income.....	40,340,286	30,590,977	51,201,981	34,352,684	10,861,005	3,755,707
Dividends.....	26,454,732	15,882,110	20,444,987	15,775,079	9,745	107,031
Surplus.....	13,885,554	14,714,867	24,756,994	18,577,605	10,871,440	3,862,738

<sup>1</sup> Includes 4 companies in 1907 and 1 in 1902 which reported neither profit nor loss.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup> Net deficit.

<sup>5</sup> Total deficit.

TABLE 92.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of operating companies reporting net income and net deficit, respectively: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.					
	Total, all companies.		Companies reporting net income.		Companies reporting net deficit.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	56.8	57.0	55.7	63.5	64.3
Deductions from income, total.....	32.1	31.0	27.6	28.5	47.9	47.2
Taxes.....	4.6	5.2	4.8	5.2	4.0	5.3
Interest.....	14.8	15.2	14.7	14.2	15.3	21.9
On funded debt.....	12.5	14.1	12.5	13.4	12.5	18.8
On other debt.....	2.3	1.1	2.2	0.8	2.8	3.1
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	10.2	6.4	8.8	28.0	10.4
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.5	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.6	0.6
Dividends.....	6.2	6.3	7.0	7.2	( <sup>1</sup> )	0.3
Surplus.....	3.2	5.0	7.4	8.5	11.4	11.8

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>2</sup> Deficit (see Table 91).

There were 34 more companies in 1907 than in 1902 that reported annual expenses in excess of income. The relative importance of this group of companies had also increased, as it contributed over one-fifth of the gross income for all companies as compared with only a little over one-eighth in 1902. These companies show a higher proportion of gross income in the interest account, and a much higher proportion for oper-

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less than 8 per cent of the trackage reported by all companies and slightly more than one-fourth of the total leased track. Of all companies reporting net deficits in 1907 only 24, including 6 of the 7 large companies mentioned, show payments on account of rent of leased lines and terminals, the total of such payments being equivalent to more than one-fourth of the gross income for this group of companies. In 1902, 17 companies showing a net deficit reported payments on account of lease obligations, these payments representing almost one-fifth of the gross

income. More than nine-tenths of the total payments on this account in 1902 were made by 2 companies.

It will be noted that the companies reporting net deficits also paid some dividends—3 companies in 1907 and 5 in 1902—but in some cases the deficit balances for these companies were very small, and in the other cases the dividends were for part of the year only.

A segregation of the statistics for companies reporting deficits, by geographic divisions, shows that the bulk of the deficit is contributed by companies in the North Atlantic states.

TABLE 93.—INCOME, OPERATING EXPENSES, DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME, AND DEFICIT OF COMPANIES REPORTING NET DEFICIT, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

DIVISION.	Census.	Number of companies.	Gross income.	Operating expenses.	Deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges).	Net deficit.
United States.....	1907 1902	207 233	\$95,377,735 82,760,718	\$60,574,412 21,047,090	\$45,065,018 15,458,735	\$10,801,695 3,755,707
North Atlantic.....	1907 1902	120 140	99,730,083 12,107,504	42,003,080 8,709,588	34,004,760 5,373,376	6,331,147 1,975,400
South Atlantic.....	1907 1902	20 22	1,122,509 1,092,183	961,428 859,977	383,222 404,062	222,141 232,450
North Central.....	1907 1902	75 44	14,358,999 18,790,867	10,055,401 10,820,471	6,555,632 9,395,631	2,252,034 1,425,235
South Central.....	1907 1902	18 14	1,657,142 405,130	1,309,957 387,844	500,836 133,004	249,651 55,808
Western.....	1907 1902	28 13	8,502,402 294,074	6,184,546 269,810	4,124,578 91,972	1,806,722 66,808

*Condensed income account of nonoperating lessor companies.*—The number of lessor companies in existence at the close of 1907 was over one and one-half times as great as the number reported for 1902, and their financial transactions have assumed large proportions. While practically the entire amount involved in the income account for these companies was paid as rental by the operating companies, its distribution is a matter of importance. Table 94 gives the income account of such companies for 1907 and 1902.

TABLE 94.—Condensed income account of nonoperating lessor companies: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	1907	1902	Per cent of increase.
Number of companies.....	201	1158	84.2
Gross income.....	\$47,913,240	\$20,138,899	83.3
Rentals from operating companies.....	47,600,933	20,110,884	81.9
Miscellaneous income.....	412,316	22,015	1,772.0
Deductions from income, total.....	19,405,984	8,779,294	121.7
Taxes.....	920,450	287,436	222.3
Interest.....	18,630,622	8,370,550	115.2
On funded debt.....	17,702,293	8,365,677	111.9
On other debt.....	328,250	20,882	1,472.0
Miscellaneous deductions (maintenance of organizations, etc.).....	509,003	115,200	341.5
Net income.....	28,447,265	17,359,905	63.9
Dividends.....	28,030,642	17,157,061	63.4
Surplus.....	416,723	202,844	105.7

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 12 companies which failed to furnish this information.

The deductions from income for the lessor companies were much greater in 1907 than in 1902. The increase is found chiefly in the item of interest on funded debt. The increase in expenses has reduced the proportionate amounts available for dividends.

TABLE 95.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of nonoperating lessor companies: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.	
	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0
Deductions from income, total.....	40.6	33.6
Taxes.....	1.9	1.1
Interest.....	37.6	32.1
On funded debt.....	36.9	32.0
On other debt.....	0.7	0.1
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.1	0.4
Dividends.....	58.5	65.6
Surplus.....	0.9	0.8

The income of the lessor companies from rentals increased 81.9 per cent between 1902 and 1907 (Table 94), while the earnings from operation shown for operating companies (Table 89) increased only 68.9 per cent. Similarly, the net income of the lessor companies increased 63.9 per cent, while the net income of the operating companies increased only 31.8 per cent. In the matter of dividends, however, the percentages of increase were nearly equal, and that of the operating companies was, by contrast, greater than that of the lessor companies, the percentages being, respectively, 66.6 and 63.4.

The nonoperating lessor companies reported for 1907 were located in 21 states and those reported for 1902 in 12 states. The income account for the different state groups of these companies is shown in Table 105.

The lessor companies are largely concentrated in the North Atlantic and North Central states, especially in



Pennsylvania and New York. In Pennsylvania in 1907 there were 140 lessor companies as compared with 122 operating companies; and in 1902, 86 lessor companies and 98 operating companies. A grouping of the statistics by geographic divisions can not be made without disclosing the financial data of some of the individual companies, but the companies are distributed as follows:

*Number of lessor companies, by geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.*

DIVISION.	1907	1902
United States.....	201	158
North Atlantic.....	230	142
North Central.....	47	13
South Atlantic.....	10	2
South Central.....	1	.....
Western.....	3	1

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 12 companies which failed to furnish financial information.

The states of the North Atlantic division reported in 1907 nearly 80 per cent of the lessor companies and a little over 80 per cent of the gross income for those companies. The large number of lessor companies in Pennsylvania is due, to a considerable extent, to state laws which are unfavorable to a direct merger or consolidation of railway companies.

*Condensed income account of operating and lessor companies combined.*—A combination of the income accounts of the operating and lessor companies as given in Table 96 is necessary in order to show the aggregates for the financial transactions of the street and electric railway companies of the United States. In preparing this combined income account it is necessary to eliminate the duplication due to the rentals paid to the lessor companies by the operating companies. The amounts reported by the lessor companies as received do not in all cases agree with the amount of rental reported as paid by the operating companies, a difference due primarily to the different methods of accounting in use by the two classes of companies. It is known that in some cases not all of the rental reported by the lessee company was actually paid, the lessee defaulting on part of its lease obligations; but in order to give a true income and expense account it was proper to tabulate the full amount of the obligations rather than the cash items. In other cases the excess of the rental income reported by the lessor company over the amount reported as paid for rental by the operating company was due to the fact that the latter represented cash paid while the former represented book entries, the difference being adjusted when the books of the company were finally closed during the succeeding year. In other cases the reports of the related operating and lessor companies do not cover the same period of time.

In order that the figures might be comparable, the rentals received by the lessor companies in 1907 were deducted from the income side of the account and a like amount deducted from the fixed charges. Any rental expense remaining, therefore, represented rental

paid other operating companies—steam railroads, etc. The rental paid to the cities of New York and Boston for the subways is treated as a miscellaneous deduction from income, rather than as a rental, as it is not accounted for as income in a report for a lessor company.

TABLE 96.—*Condensed income account of operating and lessor companies combined: 1907 and 1902.*

ACCOUNT.	1907	1902	Per cent of increase.
Number of companies.....	1,123	957	28.5
Gross income.....	\$430,150,570	\$250,526,642	71.7
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	247,553,990	68.9
Operating expenses.....	251,309,252	142,312,697	76.6
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	105,241,402	58.6
Miscellaneous income.....	11,998,712	2,972,643	302.6
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	178,847,318	108,214,645	65.3
Deduction from income, total.....	110,059,707	60,849,231	80.9
Taxes.....	20,082,061	13,896,335	54.7
Interest.....	81,771,260	46,462,470	76.0
On funded debt.....	71,468,788	43,878,961	64.0
On other debt.....	10,302,472	2,583,509	267.3
Miscellaneous deductions.....	7,006,440	1,020,426	645.4
Net income.....	68,787,551	47,364,814	45.2
Dividends.....	54,485,274	33,039,171	64.9
Surplus.....	14,302,277	14,325,643	40.2

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 30 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Includes rentals paid to other operating companies, steam railroads, etc.

<sup>4</sup> Decrease.

The amounts reported by the operating companies form by far the largest proportion of the totals given in this table, and largely control the percentages of increase for the majority of the items, which agree very closely with the corresponding percentages for operating companies in Table 89. The principal differences in the percentages are shown for interest, miscellaneous deductions from income, and net income. A combination of the accounts for operating and lessor companies, however, changes the relative distribution of gross income as compared with the corresponding distribution for operating companies.

TABLE 97.—*Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of operating and lessor companies combined: 1907 and 1902.*

	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.	
	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.4	56.8
Deductions from income, total.....	25.6	24.3
Taxes.....	4.8	5.3
Interest.....	19.0	18.6
On funded debt.....	16.6	17.4
On other debt.....	2.4	1.2
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.8	0.4
Dividends.....	12.7	13.2
Surplus.....	3.3	5.7

The percentage of the gross income required to meet operating expenses increased from 1902 to 1907 and is practically the same as that shown for operating companies in Table 90.

The percentage required for fixed charges is considerably less than in the case of operating companies alone, but the increase in this percentage from 1902 to 1907 was slightly greater than for the operating companies. A much larger percentage of the gross income

of operating and lessor companies combined was distributed in the form of dividends than was the case for operating companies alone, and the reduction in this proportion from 1902 to 1907 was somewhat greater for the two classes combined than for the operating companies.

The statistics of the income account for operating and lessor companies combined are given by states in Table 106, but only those states are shown for which the statistics of the lessor companies are given in Table 105. In Table 106 the duplication on account of rentals has not been eliminated, the amount paid by operating companies appearing as an expense and the amount received by the lessor companies as income.

*Condensed income account of operating companies, classified according to income from railway operations.—*

There is considerable variation in the relative importance of the various items of the income account for companies of different sizes. A study of the statistics shows a relatively higher rate of increase in gross income for the larger companies, with a lowering in the proportion required to meet operating expenses in 1907 as compared with 1902, and an increase in the proportion required for deductions from income.

Table 98 is a comparative income account for operating companies, classified according to income from railway operations, for 1907 and 1902.

TABLE 98.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					Per cent of total.				
			\$1,000,000 and over.	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000.	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000.	Less than \$100,000.	A	B	C	D	E
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)					
Number of companies.....	1907	1 830	76	50	80	182	551	8.1	5.3	8.5	19.4	58.7
	1902	2 790	44	28	53	112	502	5.5	3.5	6.6	14.0	70.3
Per cent of increase.....		17.5	72.7	78.0	50.9	62.5	2.0					
Gross income.....	1907	\$420,744,254	\$303,071,003	\$18,044,582	\$30,817,066	\$33,484,518	\$23,720,485	70.5	0.0	7.2	7.8	5.5
	1902	\$250,504,627	\$170,328,500	\$20,504,031	\$19,203,082	\$19,495,570	\$20,823,488	68.0	8.2	7.7	7.8	8.3
Per cent of increase.....		71.0	77.0	87.9	59.7	71.8	13.0					
Operating earnings.....	1907	\$418,187,858	\$207,062,346	\$36,507,437	\$30,210,402	\$31,762,493	\$22,505,180	71.0	8.8	7.2	7.6	5.4
	1902	\$247,553,990	\$167,743,261	\$20,531,210	\$19,212,100	\$19,440,952	\$20,620,420	67.8	8.3	7.8	7.0	8.3
Per cent of increase.....		68.9	77.1	78.3	57.2	63.3	9.4					
Operating expenses.....	1907	\$251,300,252	\$173,358,511	\$22,278,081	\$19,065,080	\$20,341,733	\$16,264,042	60.0	8.9	7.6	8.1	6.5
	1902	\$142,312,507	\$91,842,001	\$11,848,332	\$11,506,202	\$12,506,780	\$14,000,180	64.5	8.3	8.1	8.8	10.3
Per cent of increase.....		76.6	88.8	88.1	65.7	62.7	11.3					
Net earnings from operation.....	1907	\$166,878,606	\$123,703,835	\$14,318,450	\$11,145,322	\$11,410,755	\$6,300,238	74.1	8.6	6.7	6.8	3.8
	1902	\$106,241,402	\$75,901,250	\$8,682,884	\$7,705,808	\$6,934,106	\$6,017,234	72.1	8.3	7.3	6.6	5.7
Per cent of increase.....		58.6	63.0	64.0	44.6	64.6	4.7					
Miscellaneous income.....	1907	\$11,550,396	\$8,008,667	\$2,047,145	\$607,204	\$1,732,025	\$1,161,305	52.0	17.7	5.3	15.0	10.0
	1902	\$2,050,028	\$2,585,249	\$32,815	\$80,872	\$54,624	\$197,068	87.0	1.1	2.7	1.9	6.7
Per cent of increase.....		201.7	132.4	6,138.4	650.9	3,070.8	489.3					
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	1907	\$178,435,002	\$129,712,492	\$16,365,801	\$11,752,586	\$13,142,780	\$7,461,543	72.7	0.2	6.6	7.4	4.2
	1902	\$108,192,030	\$78,480,490	\$8,715,690	\$7,786,740	\$6,988,790	\$6,214,302	72.5	8.1	7.2	6.6	5.7
Per cent of increase.....		64.0	65.3	87.8	50.9	88.1	20.1					
Deductions from income, total.....	1907	\$138,004,716	\$102,004,702	\$12,001,005	\$8,820,046	\$9,067,818	\$6,111,085	73.0	8.8	6.4	6.6	4.4
	1902	\$77,505,053	\$50,801,948	\$5,700,751	\$5,130,642	\$5,016,298	\$4,822,444	73.2	7.5	6.0	6.5	6.2
Per cent of increase.....		78.0	70.5	108.5	71.7	80.8	26.7					
Taxes.....	1907	\$10,755,002	\$15,524,302	\$1,420,894	\$1,052,242	\$1,071,500	\$680,574	78.6	7.2	5.3	5.4	3.4
	1902	\$13,078,880	\$10,320,341	\$870,446	\$610,745	\$650,050	\$603,311	79.0	6.7	4.7	5.0	4.6
Per cent of increase.....		51.0	50.3	62.2	69.8	64.8	12.8					
Interest.....	1907	\$63,740,744	\$35,048,870	\$8,057,223	\$6,845,009	\$7,373,255	\$5,216,327	55.9	13.6	10.7	11.6	8.2
	1902	\$38,085,911	\$21,706,528	\$4,352,352	\$3,867,059	\$4,017,234	\$4,052,738	57.2	11.4	10.2	10.5	10.6
Per cent of increase.....		67.4	63.6	68.0	77.0	83.5	28.7					
On funded debt.....	1907	\$53,700,525	\$30,105,000	\$7,035,156	\$5,678,834	\$6,534,654	\$4,412,212	56.0	13.1	10.6	12.2	8.2
	1902	\$35,223,284	\$20,711,446	\$3,844,873	\$3,478,447	\$3,087,086	\$3,501,432	58.8	10.0	9.9	10.5	9.0
Per cent of increase.....		52.6	45.4	83.0	63.3	77.2	26.0					
On other debt.....	1907	\$6,074,210	\$5,543,201	\$1,622,007	\$1,106,235	\$838,601	\$804,115	55.6	16.3	11.7	8.4	8.1
	1902	\$2,862,027	\$1,085,082	\$507,470	\$388,612	\$330,148	\$551,306	37.0	17.7	13.6	11.5	19.3
Per cent of increase.....		248.4	410.0	219.6	200.1	154.0	45.9					
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	1907	\$48,022,506	\$45,188,356	\$1,620,743	\$672,794	\$449,708	\$81,095	04.1	3.4	1.4	0.9	0.2
	1902	\$25,518,235	\$24,206,050	\$492,050	\$430,275	\$103,704	\$105,456	05.2	1.9	1.7	0.8	0.4
Per cent of increase.....		88.2	80.0	230.8	56.4	132.1	22.2					
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1907	\$6,575,774	\$5,643,114	\$377,235	\$249,041	\$173,295	\$132,189	85.8	5.7	3.8	2.6	2.0
	1902	\$912,018	\$401,020	\$75,303	\$219,563	\$155,184	\$60,939	44.0	8.3	24.1	17.0	6.7
Per cent of increase.....		621.0	1,307.2	401.0	13.8	11.7	116.9					
Net income.....	1907	\$40,340,286	\$27,707,700	\$4,274,536	\$2,932,540	\$4,074,062	\$1,350,458	68.7	10.6	7.3	10.1	3.3
	1902	\$30,506,977	\$21,060,551	\$2,915,948	\$2,660,098	\$1,072,522	\$1,301,858	70.8	9.5	8.7	6.4	4.5
Per cent of increase.....		31.8	27.9	46.6	10.7	106.6	3.0					
Dividends.....	1907	\$20,454,732	\$20,819,820	\$2,290,890	\$1,630,423	\$1,181,350	\$532,249	78.7	8.7	6.2	4.5	2.0
	1902	\$15,882,110	\$12,174,336	\$1,523,492	\$818,717	\$840,406	\$525,189	76.6	9.6	5.2	5.3	3.3
Per cent of increase.....		06.6	71.0	50.4	99.1	40.6	1.3					
Surplus.....	1907	\$18,885,554	\$6,887,970	\$1,983,646	\$1,302,117	\$2,893,612	\$818,209	40.6	14.3	9.4	20.8	5.9
	1902	\$14,714,807	\$9,492,215	\$1,302,486	\$1,831,381	\$1,132,116	\$569,660	64.5	9.5	12.4	7.7	5.9
Per cent of increase.....		5.6	27.4	42.5	28.9	155.6	5.6					

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Decrease.

The largest amounts of increase, and as a rule the largest percentages of increase, are shown for the largest companies, those belonging to Classes A and B. The gross income and dividends of these companies taken together also formed a larger percentage of the total gross income and dividends, respectively, of all companies in 1907 than in 1902, while the deductions from income for these classes represented a larger part

of the total deductions from income reported at the present census than at the earlier one. The other classes showed, as a rule, decreased percentages of the totals for these items.

Table 99 shows the percentage relation of the accounting items of operating companies to the gross income, the companies being classified according to their income from railway operation.

TABLE 99.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION, BY ACCOUNTS, OF GROSS INCOME OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.											
	Total, all companies.		Classification group.									
			\$1,000,000 and over.		\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.		\$250,000 but less than \$500,000.		\$100,000 but less than \$250,000.		Less than \$100,000.	
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)	(J)
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	50.8	57.2	53.9	57.7	57.0	61.9	59.6	60.7	64.2	68.6	70.2
Deductions from income, total.....	32.1	31.0	33.7	33.4	31.3	28.2	28.6	26.6	27.1	25.7	25.8	23.2
Taxes.....	4.6	5.2	5.1	6.1	3.7	4.3	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.3	2.9	2.9
Interest.....	14.8	15.2	11.8	12.8	22.4	21.2	22.2	20.0	22.0	20.6	22.0	19.5
On funded debt.....	12.5	14.1	9.9	12.2	18.2	18.7	18.4	18.0	19.5	18.0	18.0	16.8
On other debt.....	2.3	1.1	1.8	0.6	4.2	2.5	3.8	2.0	2.5	1.7	3.4	2.0
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	10.2	14.9	14.3	4.2	2.4	2.2	2.2	1.3	1.0	0.3	0.5
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.5	0.4	1.9	0.2	1.0	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.3
Dividends.....	0.2	6.3	6.9	7.1	5.9	7.4	5.3	4.2	3.5	4.3	2.2	2.5
Surplus.....	3.2	5.9	2.3	5.6	5.1	6.8	4.2	0.5	8.0	5.8	3.4	4.2

The item called "Deductions from income" bears the highest proportion to gross income in the class of largest companies. Further analysis, however, shows that the difference in proportion is more than accounted for by the item of rentals, the larger part of which represents rentals paid to nonoperating lessor companies. Such rentals really represent not an expense of carrying on railway business, but part of the income of railway operation. So far, then, as this item in the accounts of large companies exceeds that in the smaller, it points to increased earnings in large centers of population, rather than to increased cost of carrying on the business. The per cent ratio of the total deductions to the gross income increases without a break from class to class, low (25.8) in Class E to high (33.7) in Class A, and is larger for each class in 1907 than in 1902. Analysis of the deductions for 1907, however, shows that the per cent ratio of interest charges to gross income is practically constant at about 22 in all classes except that of the largest companies, in which the per cent ratio drops sharply to 11.8, and that in every class the ratio is little changed between 1902 and 1907; while, by a sharp contrast, the rental charge ratio increases from class to class, with a surprisingly large increase in Class A, and in only one class, that of the smallest companies, was there a fall in the ratio from 1902 to 1907. Again, the obvious deduction seems to be that increase in earnings of electric-railway operation is very frequently charged to the account of rentals, and that

this financial policy has been one of the most characteristic phenomena of recent railway development.

In the following statement the percentage ratios of "Deductions from income" to gross income are further analyzed, for all classes of companies, to show the ratios for taxes and for interest and rentals combined:

*Per cent ratios of itemized deductions from income to gross income of operating companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.*

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	ALL DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME.		PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.			
			Taxes.		Interest and rentals.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	32.1	31.0	4.6	5.2	26.0	25.4
Class A.....	33.7	33.4	5.1	6.1	20.7	27.1
Class B.....	31.3	28.2	3.7	4.3	20.6	23.6
Class C.....	28.6	26.6	3.4	3.2	24.4	22.3
Class D.....	27.1	25.7	3.2	3.3	23.4	21.6
Class E.....	25.8	23.2	2.9	2.9	22.3	20.0

Interest and rentals are here combined, because for some comparisons it is well to treat interest as a fixed charge on account of capital invested in owned lines and rentals as a fixed charge on account of capital invested in leased lines, the two therefore representing capital charges as distinguished from capital dividends.

Regarding the matter from this point of view, it appears that the ratio of this combined capital charge to gross income increases regularly from Class E to

Class A, and that it is greater for every class in 1907 than in 1902, except in Class A, where the presence of an unusual amount of "Miscellaneous deductions" results in a corresponding decrease in both the ratios shown in the statement.

*Condensed income account of operating companies with and without commercial lighting, and of part-time companies.*—The generation and sale of electricity for pur-

poses other than the operation of the railway necessarily has some effect upon the proportion that the different items of income and expense represent of the respective totals. The fact that a company was in operation only a part of the year also affects its financial operations as compared with those of a company operating the entire period of twelve months.

TABLE 100.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.									
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.		Per cent of increase.			
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	Total.	With- out com- mer- cial light- ing.	With com- mer- cial light- ing.	Part- time.
Number of companies.....	3 339	4 709	709	630	1 175	112	55	57	17.5	12.5	50.3	3.5
Gross income.....	\$420,744,254	\$250,504,927	\$350,704,880	\$225,011,197	\$71,708,709	\$22,418,065	\$1,271,159	\$2,475,365	71.6	58.1	220.1	48.6
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	247,593,909	347,955,013	222,989,078	68,980,410	22,088,050	1,240,420	2,475,365	68.9	56.0	212.3	49.6
Operating expenses.....	251,309,252	142,812,607	208,847,845	128,038,482	41,500,582	12,834,941	894,825	1,430,174	70.6	63.1	223.9	37.8
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	104,781,302	139,107,168	94,950,596	27,479,828	9,253,115	351,604	1,030,191	58.6	46.5	196.3	66.1
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,300	2,950,028	8,749,373	2,021,210	2,782,203	320,409	24,730	.....	201.7	233.8	744.0	.....
Gross income, less operating ex- penses.....	178,435,002	108,192,030	147,856,541	97,572,715	30,202,127	9,583,124	370,334	1,030,191	64.9	51.5	215.2	63.7
Deductions from income, total.....	138,094,713	77,505,053	117,088,115	71,027,194	10,944,704	6,007,847	401,897	590,012	78.0	65.7	232.0	17.5
Taxes.....	10,755,802	13,075,899	10,755,848	12,294,585	2,976,084	733,575	23,270	50,739	51.0	36.3	305.8	54.1
Interest.....	63,740,744	38,085,911	50,534,490	32,728,041	12,782,361	4,849,800	423,887	508,070	67.4	54.4	163.6	18.6
On funded debt.....	53,706,525	35,223,284	42,212,111	30,168,164	11,206,109	4,010,145	288,215	435,975	52.6	39.9	143.9	23.9
On other debt.....	9,034,219	2,862,627	8,322,386	2,560,877	1,576,252	230,655	135,672	72,095	248.4	225.1	567.3	88.2
Rent of leased lines and ter- minals.....	48,022,590	25,518,225	45,328,842	25,470,229	2,093,754	47,413	.....	583	88.2	78.0	5,581.5	100.0
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	912,018	5,990,120	534,339	1,491,905	377,059	14,740	620	621.0	848.7	295.7	2,277.4
Net income.....	40,340,286	30,598,977	30,168,426	20,545,521	10,267,423	3,575,277	85,503	476,179	31.8	13.6	180.9	.....
Dividends.....	20,464,782	15,832,110	22,475,050	15,022,519	8,971,059	513,091	7,617	46,500	66.6	49.6	388.4	83.6
Surplus.....	19,875,504	14,766,867	7,693,376	11,523,002	0,296,364	2,762,186	7,93,180	429,679	5.6	33.2	127.0	.....

<sup>1</sup>Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup>Exclusive of 10 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup>Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup>Exclusive of 2 part-time companies.

<sup>5</sup>Decrease.

<sup>6</sup>Not deficit.

<sup>7</sup>Total deficit.

The table does not throw all the income from sale of current to the group "With commercial lighting," as there were in all 330 companies in 1907 which reported income from the sale of current, while only 175 are included in the table. The other 155 companies reported a total of \$3,562,495 income from the sale of current. As this amount was not so great as to produce a perceptible effect on the operating railway accounts, and as the sales of current by the several companies were inconsiderable or in the nature of wholesaling of current, it was deemed best to include these companies as of the class "Without commercial lighting."

A classification of street and electric railway companies upon the basis employed in the table does not result in as many marked differences in the proportions of gross income represented by operating expenses and deductions from income as might be expected, although the income from sale of electric current was considerably more important in 1907 than at the former census, forming 4.8 and 3.1 per cent, re-

spectively, of the total operating earnings at the two census periods. The companies "With commercial lighting" contributed about 17 per cent of the gross income for all companies in 1907, or nearly twice as much proportionately as in 1902, when the percentage was slightly less than 9. The percentages of increase for this class of companies range, with one exception, much higher for all items shown in Table 100 than they do for companies "Without commercial lighting."

While each group shows an increase in 1907 as compared with 1902 in the percentage of gross income required to meet operating expenses, the increase was relatively slight for companies "With commercial lighting." It will be noted that the proportion of the gross income required for rent of leased lines was much less for companies with lighting plants than for companies without. For the most part the railways which are engaged in commercial light and power business are located in the smaller cities and towns where there is very little leasing of companies.

**TABLE 101.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION, BY ACCOUNTS, OF GROSS INCOME OF OPERATING COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.**

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.							
	Total, all companies.		Classification group.					
			Without com- mercial lighting.		With commer- cial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	50.8	58.5	50.8	57.9	57.3	70.4	58.1
Deductions from income, total.....	32.1	31.0	33.0	31.5	27.8	28.8	30.3	22.6
Taxes.....	4.6	5.2	4.7	5.4	4.1	3.3	1.8	2.1
Interest.....	14.8	15.2	14.2	14.5	17.8	21.6	33.3	20.5
On funded debt.....	12.5	14.1	11.8	13.4	15.7	20.6	22.7	17.6
On other debt.....	2.3	1.1	2.3	1.1	2.1	1.0	10.7	2.9
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	10.2	12.7	11.3	3.8	0.2	.....	(1)
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1.5	0.4	1.4	0.2	2.1	1.7	1.2	(1)
Dividends.....	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	5.5	3.6	0.6	1.9
Surplus.....	3.2	5.0	2.2	5.1	8.8	12.3	7.3	17.4

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.<sup>2</sup> Deficit (see Table 100).

The companies without commercial lighting plants reported a proportionately larger amount as paid out from their net income in the form of dividends, at both censuses, than did the companies engaged in both railway and lighting. It is obvious, however, that the companies with commercial lighting could have distributed as great a proportion of the gross income in dividends as did the other class—and even a greater proportion—had they pursued the same policy as to surplus, which shows as 8.8 per cent of their gross income, as compared with the 2.2 per cent for companies without commercial lighting, since the companies with commercial lighting show a far greater ratio of net income to gross income—14.3 per cent—than that of the companies without commercial lighting—8.5 per cent.

The relative importance of "Part-time" companies was less in 1907 than in 1902, the gross income of such companies falling from 1 per cent of the total for all companies in 1902 to three-tenths of 1 per cent in 1907. For reasons elsewhere explained, comparison of the statistics of the two years gives no conclusions

of scientific value. The figures are given only to show the less importance of such companies in 1907, and to permit more accurate comparisons of the statistics for railways operating throughout the year.

*Condensed income account of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service.*—It is impracticable for the census to make all possible classifications that the statistical purpose of comparability might suggest; but as between surface railways on the one hand and elevated and subway railways on the other hand, the operating conditions are so different as to give unusual value and importance to a separate analysis of their statistics. The same may be said of the classification in which 50 selected inter-urban lines and 100 selected small urban roads are set off from all other railways. Both these groupings are made in the condensed income account shown in Table 102. It was not believed, however, that comparison of the statistics for 1907 with those for 1902 would have sufficient value to justify the difficult retabulation of the reports for 1902.

**TABLE 102.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.**

ACCOUNT.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric ele- vated and sub- way railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	939	6	933	50	100	789
Gross income.....	\$420,744,254	\$34,257,979	\$305,486,275	\$30,131,545	\$1,411,338	\$308,201,371
Operating earnings.....	418,187,858	33,874,054	384,313,804	29,155,121	1,407,019	387,625,718
Operating expenses.....	251,309,252	15,120,025	236,189,227	16,900,292	1,135,442	233,273,518
Net earnings from operation.....	166,878,606	18,754,029	148,123,577	12,254,829	271,577	154,352,200
Miscellaneous income.....	11,556,396	383,925	11,172,471	976,424	4,319	10,575,653
Gross income, less operating expenses.....	178,435,002	19,128,954	150,306,048	13,231,253	275,896	164,927,853
Deductions from income, total.....	138,094,716	13,450,216	124,635,500	10,767,359	350,092	126,977,205
Taxes.....	19,755,602	1,986,249	17,769,353	992,177	47,686	18,715,739
Interest.....	63,740,744	3,700,602	60,040,142	6,590,909	300,988	56,848,757
On funded debt.....	53,766,525	3,425,422	50,341,103	6,127,024	253,378	47,386,123
On other debt.....	9,974,219	275,180	9,699,039	403,975	47,610	9,462,634
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,596	5,006,120	42,016,476	3,054,413	.....	44,968,183
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	1,806,245	4,769,529	129,770	1,418	6,444,586
Net income.....	40,340,286	5,669,738	34,670,548	2,463,894	74,190	37,950,588
Dividends.....	26,454,732	4,008,880	22,445,852	1,256,902	31,403	25,166,337
Surplus.....	13,885,554	1,660,858	12,224,696	1,206,992	42,787	12,784,251

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.<sup>4</sup> Deficit.<sup>5</sup> Total deficit.

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The electric elevated and subway companies and the selected small urban roads are operated almost exclusively in cities. The selected interurban roads, as has been explained, are roads whose operators report the greater part of their trackage as rural, and whose business is chiefly interurban. The other two groups—and they include the very great majority of all companies—do not represent conditions exclusively urban, interurban, or rural. The totals given in this table should be considered in connection with the distribution of the gross income shown in Table 103.

TABLE 103.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of gross income of operating companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF GROSS INCOME.					
	Total, all companies.	Classification group.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways.	Electric surface railways.	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Gross income.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Operating expenses.....	58.5	44.2	50.7	50.1	80.5	58.6
Deductions from income, total.	32.1	39.3	31.5	35.7	24.8	31.9
Taxes.....	4.6	5.8	4.5	3.3	3.4	4.7
Interest.....	14.8	10.8	15.2	21.9	21.3	14.3
On funded debt.....	12.5	10.0	12.7	20.3	15.0	11.0
On other debt.....	2.3	0.8	2.5	1.5	3.4	2.4
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	11.2	17.4	10.6	10.1	.....	11.3
Miscellaneous deductions..	1.5	5.3	1.2	0.4	0.1	1.6
Dividends.....	6.2	11.7	5.7	4.2	2.2	6.3
Surplus.....	8.2	4.8	3.1	4.0	7.5	3.2

<sup>1</sup> Deficit (see Table 102).

The small group of electric elevated and subway railways shows a low per cent ratio of operating expenses to gross income (44.2), and a relatively high per cent ratio for deduction from income (39.3); while, as representing the other extreme, the group of small urban roads shows a high ratio for operating expenses (80.5) and a low one for deductions from income (24.8).

The subway rentals paid the cities of New York and Boston are included in the item of "Miscellaneous deductions," and constitute a considerable proportion of the amounts reported for this item for both groups under the classification by "Kind of system," and for "All other railways" under the classification by "Character of service." The Boston Elevated Railway, operating the Boston Subway, is included, as has been stated, in the group of "Electric surface railways." From one point of view, the percentages to be credited to rent of leased lines and terminals are larger than the table indicates, since in many aspects subway rentals are akin to rentals of leased lines.

The small per cent ratio of interest on funded debt to gross income shown for the elevated and subway roads (10) is more than offset by the rentals, which formed a much larger proportion of the gross income than is shown for the other groups. This group also shows the largest percentage paid in dividends and the largest proportion set aside as surplus.

In very many respects the selected interurban and the small urban roads represent the two extremes of service conditions. The equipment, methods of operation, length of ride, etc., are radically different for the two groups, and these differences are reflected in the percentages given in Table 103.

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TABLE 104.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES,

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Operating earnings.	OPERATING EXPENSES.	
				Amount.	Per cent ratio of operating earnings.
United States.....	1907 1902	1939 *799	\$418,187,868 247,553,999	\$251,309,252 142,312,567	60.1 57.5
North Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	365 350	193,826,067 131,044,080	110,300,563 70,504,080	60.0 58.4
Maine.....	1907 1902	17 19	2,269,049 1,542,508	1,480,544 1,127,060	65.5 73.1
New Hampshire.....	1907 1902	16 7	1,088,957 604,131	895,862 478,840	82.3 79.3
Vermont.....	1907 1902	10 9	441,389 249,228	313,845 201,179	71.1 80.7
Massachusetts.....	1907 1902	62 74	30,925,503 23,617,570	21,179,642 16,403,667	68.5 69.5
Rhode Island.....	1907 1902	5 7	4,432,909 2,904,260	2,744,160 1,892,477	61.9 63.8
Connecticut.....	1907 1902	8 21	7,271,509 4,284,089	4,857,763 2,773,608	66.8 64.7
New York.....	1907 1902	101 96	80,856,320 59,315,606	50,928,855 33,077,724	56.7 56.8
New Jersey.....	1907 1902	24 25	12,895,532 8,137,477	7,905,138 4,324,112	61.3 53.1
Pennsylvania.....	1907 1902	122 98	44,654,130 30,319,211	26,003,748 15,624,813	58.2 51.5
South Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	100 75	28,531,988 14,089,177	16,280,864 8,186,047	57.1 54.6
Delaware.....	1907 1902	4 3	750,168 500,412	516,253 300,590	68.3 72.1
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907 1902	19 18	11,617,214 7,893,313	5,943,863 3,870,538	51.2 40.0
Virginia.....	1907 1902	22 16	5,152,173 1,553,478	3,261,570 1,009,356	63.3 65.0
West Virginia.....	1907 1902	15 8	2,562,800 1,102,171	1,540,305 662,862	60.1 59.2
North Carolina.....	1907 1902	11 7	1,186,400 437,260	743,357 322,344	62.7 73.7
South Carolina.....	1907 1902	7 7	1,273,617 597,577	762,853 398,062	59.9 66.7
Georgia.....	1907 1902	12 10	4,616,337 2,375,224	2,555,713 1,232,320	55.4 51.9
Florida.....	1907 1902	10 6	1,367,210 529,743	956,860 339,375	70.0 64.1
North Central division.....	1907 1902	293 235	132,783,152 73,285,248	78,374,032 41,271,462	59.0 56.3
Ohio.....	1907 1902	73 62	30,392,675 16,587,693	18,479,609 9,132,480	60.8 55.1
Indiana.....	1907 1902	33 26	11,224,545 3,813,076	6,308,152 2,219,761	56.2 58.2
Illinois.....	1907 1902	70 48	40,448,084 24,104,905	25,597,900 14,103,211	63.3 58.4
Michigan.....	1907 1902	24 24	10,948,588 6,494,691	6,549,019 3,055,328	59.8 56.3
Wisconsin.....	1907 1902	20 17	6,135,064 3,902,069	3,285,068 1,995,024	52.7 51.1
Minnesota.....	1907 1902	5 5	7,048,370 3,727,648	3,524,346 1,719,687	50.0 46.1
Iowa.....	1907 1902	24 22	4,295,930 2,384,421	2,826,959 1,460,993	65.8 61.3
Missouri.....	1907 1902	14 16	18,000,248 10,691,220	9,680,226 6,071,971	53.8 56.8
North and South Dakota.....	1907	5	112,079	72,412	64.6
Nebraska.....	1907 1902	8 4	2,737,756 1,148,004	1,325,038 655,729	48.4 57.1
Kansas.....	1907 1902	17 11	1,439,813 370,481	775,207 257,248	53.8 69.4

1 Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

2 Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.



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Net earnings from operation.	Miscellaneous income.	Gross income, less operating expenses.	Deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges).	Net income of companies reporting net income.	Deficit of companies reporting deficit.	Net income for state.	Dividends.	Surplus.	
\$165,878,000	\$11,550,306	\$178,435,002	\$138,094,716	\$51,201,981	\$10,861,095	\$40,340,286	\$20,454,732	\$13,885,554	1
105,241,402	2,950,628	108,192,030	77,595,053	34,352,084	3,755,707	30,596,977	16,882,110	14,714,867	2
77,516,494	3,400,886	80,917,380	71,907,073	15,340,854	0,331,147	9,009,707	9,478,390	*463,089	3
54,520,091	1,700,716	56,200,707	43,101,011	15,104,496	1,975,400	13,189,096	6,819,837	6,869,259	4
779,105	33,548	812,053	409,277	351,964	8,588	343,376	180,094	150,682	5
414,848	29,054	443,902	337,050	145,961	42,109	106,852	07,829	39,023	6
153,005	3,225	156,230	112,510	111,407	27,697	83,810	74,170	9,640	7
126,282		125,282	83,786	45,225	3,729	41,496	8,250	33,246	8
127,544	12,803	140,407	117,001	38,323	15,517	22,806	18,000	4,806	9
48,040		48,040	45,089	20,704	17,744	2,960	8,750	*5,790	10
9,745,861	148,459	9,894,320	7,061,339	2,947,539	114,558	2,832,981	2,421,056	411,925	11
7,213,003	16,840	7,229,743	5,108,019	2,301,508	180,384	2,121,124	1,910,060	211,064	12
1,688,833	20,038	1,714,871	1,538,793	196,472	102,477	176,078		176,078	13
1,071,789		1,071,783	861,707	012,477	192,401	720,016	700,000	*30,984	14
2,413,806	107,427	2,521,233	2,154,047	306,589		306,586	57,050	308,930	15
1,510,481	71,080	1,582,167	1,128,310	401,604	7,750	453,848	231,062	222,786	16
38,927,474	1,820,344	40,756,818	35,354,087	9,450,024	4,047,293	5,402,731	5,565,064	*162,933	17
25,037,882	1,580,174	27,204,056	19,552,955	8,391,716	740,015	7,651,101	3,133,655	4,517,440	18
4,000,394	187,120	5,177,520	5,755,396	167,201	745,077	*577,876	172,928	*750,804	19
3,813,905	39,440	3,852,811	3,625,740	385,232	158,101	227,071	78,420	148,651	20
18,650,382	1,052,850	19,703,238	19,344,023	1,711,338	1,352,123	359,215	977,228	*018,013	21
14,694,308	33,516	14,732,014	12,868,286	2,497,069	032,441	1,864,628	021,811	1,242,817	22
12,251,124	1,072,998	13,324,122	7,998,784	5,547,479	222,141	5,825,338	2,139,337	3,180,001	23
6,803,130	175,058	6,978,188	5,200,379	1,950,265	232,460	1,717,809	746,945	970,864	24
230,015	2,015	241,930	203,023	50,541	18,234	38,307	52,000	*13,093	25
130,822	147	130,969	77,439	70,501	17,001	62,530	9,331	53,199	26
5,678,351	515,379	6,193,730	3,708,300	2,540,328	08,898	2,480,430	1,150,000	1,330,430	27
4,022,775		4,022,775	3,237,193	923,856	138,263	785,582	600,827	178,755	28
1,890,003	240,242	2,130,845	1,287,931	909,308	57,394	851,014	63,750	783,164	29
544,122	113,544	657,666	547,730	151,899	41,963	109,936	33,895	76,541	30
1,022,405	25,025	1,048,330	743,200	333,806	28,706	305,130	20,400	278,730	31
440,300		440,309	205,842	183,407		183,407	22,000	161,407	32
443,112	100,008	552,120	353,800	210,880	12,575	198,314		198,314	33
114,015	5,208	120,123	98,993	47,071	25,941	21,130		21,130	34
510,704	62,840	573,604	390,713	182,891	182,891	182,891		182,891	35
108,015	50,159	255,074	203,196	60,318	3,440	51,878	720	51,158	36
2,060,624	104,258	2,164,882	1,124,080	1,045,033	5,140	1,039,893	643,787	396,106	37
1,142,004		1,142,904	755,207	387,697		387,697	33,952	353,745	38
410,350	4,331	414,681	186,222	259,593	31,134	228,459	198,400	30,059	39
100,368		100,368	74,779	116,387	798	115,689	40,720	74,869	40
54,408,220	2,500,419	56,908,639	39,803,747	19,350,926	2,252,034	17,104,892	9,648,424	7,556,468	41
32,013,786	987,042	33,001,428	22,908,054	11,457,700	1,425,235	10,032,474	6,438,042	3,594,432	42
11,913,006	882,226	12,795,292	9,215,583	4,115,561	535,852	3,579,709	2,315,688	1,264,021	43
7,455,213	12,158	7,467,371	4,137,806	3,407,102	137,597	3,329,505	1,044,598	1,684,907	44
4,916,393	272,223	5,188,610	4,477,535	888,457	177,376	711,081	143,498	562,583	45
1,593,285		1,593,285	1,201,297	438,115	46,127	391,988	33,974	358,014	46
14,850,088	503,508	15,353,656	10,068,510	0,024,072	1,339,826	4,085,146	2,337,129	2,348,017	47
10,061,754	864,292	10,926,046	8,453,191	3,196,378	723,523	2,472,855	2,310,710	162,145	48
4,398,000	83,386	4,482,055	2,807,083	1,753,866	138,804	1,614,072	687,630	927,442	49
2,839,303	26,482	2,865,845	1,788,797	1,145,719	68,071	1,077,048	612,000	465,048	50
2,809,090	527,753	3,427,749	2,180,929	1,292,027	45,207	1,246,820	1,068,187	178,633	51
1,907,035	21,825	1,928,860	1,081,160	847,700		847,700	300,603	547,137	52
3,524,024	8,138	3,532,162	2,125,156	1,404,006		1,404,006	1,215,000	189,006	53
2,007,961		2,007,961	1,027,121	980,840		980,840	870,400	110,440	54
1,464,971	95,210	1,560,181	804,434	676,017	7,170	669,747	218,900	450,847	55
923,423	19,413	942,841	429,373	520,085	15,017	513,408	117,600	395,808	56
8,320,022	82,484	8,402,506	6,150,093	2,257,403	4,960	2,252,443	1,019,000	1,233,443	57
4,619,240	43,472	4,662,721	4,035,401	459,982	432,662	27,320	313,337	*286,017	58
39,007	50	39,717	19,903	19,872	148	19,724		19,724	59
1,412,718	6,348	1,419,066	895,573	526,094	2,601	523,493	458,032	65,461	60
493,205		493,205	150,207	343,949	981	342,968	230,800	112,168	61
641,096	39,033	703,639	305,888	397,751		397,751	80,400	317,291	62
113,233		113,233	64,451	48,839	67	48,782	4,000	44,782	63

\* Deficit.

\* No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 104.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING COMPANIES.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Operating earnings.	OPERATING EXPENSES.	
				Amount.	Per cent ratio of operating earnings.
South Central division.....	1907 1902	90 88	\$24,548,031 11,385,391	\$14,887,271 6,678,876	60.6 58.7
Kentucky.....	1907 1902	13 12	4,776,088 2,932,901	2,825,497 1,560,270	59.2 53.2
Tennessee.....	1907 1902	9 8	4,443,891 1,800,835	2,434,252 1,079,237	54.8 57.8
Alabama.....	1907 1902	10 9	3,305,970 1,497,361	2,270,100 878,291	67.0 58.7
Mississippi.....	1907 1902	8 5	817,709 258,054	534,542 192,050	65.4 74.3
Louisiana.....	1907 1902	11 8	4,508,104 2,910,244	2,682,481 1,758,989	59.5 60.4
Arkansas.....	1907 1902	8 7	1,215,954 371,500	683,202 216,433	56.2 58.2
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	8	564,196	357,917	63.4
Texas.....	1907 1902	23 17	4,856,640 1,547,846	3,093,220 993,000	63.7 64.2
Western division.....	1907 1902	91 67	38,498,030 16,800,103	25,450,622 9,072,123	66.1 57.4
Montana.....	1907 1902	5 5	700,201 492,023	551,933 305,073	72.6 74.2
Colorado.....	1907 1902	11 7	4,130,962 2,227,286	2,099,421 1,300,006	50.8 58.4
Washington.....	1907 1902	14 8	7,898,743 2,542,906	5,140,501 1,576,018	65.1 62.0
Oregon.....	1907 1902	8 6	2,731,074 1,042,895	1,638,271 653,912	60.0 62.7
California.....	1907 1902	41 35	20,691,713 9,967,288	14,578,367 5,402,245	70.5 54.2
All other Western states and territories <sup>1</sup> .....	1907 1902	12 6	2,284,737 587,705	1,448,129 374,269	63.4 63.7
Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>2</sup> .....	1907 1902	4 5	745,338 515,913	418,432 330,350	56.1 64.0

<sup>1</sup> Deficit.<sup>2</sup> No company reported in 1902.

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BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

Net earnings from operation.	Miscellaneous income.	Gross income, less operating expenses.	Deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges).	Net income of companies reporting net income.	Deficit of companies reporting deficit.	Net income for state.	Dividends.	Surplus.	
\$9,001,360 4,706,615	\$1,804,383 899	\$11,405,743 4,707,414	\$6,959,418 2,754,169	\$4,755,076 2,009,063	\$249,651 55,808	\$4,506,325 1,953,245	\$2,680,578 836,798	\$1,819,747 1,110,447	04 05
1,950,601 1,372,631	15,835 899	1,906,436 1,373,530	1,109,233 777,433	878,050 602,551	20,847 0,464	857,203 596,097	625,038 371,000	231,205 225,097	06 07
2,009,639 787,598	37,100	2,046,739 787,598	1,418,575 595,366	629,045 222,214	881 20,972	628,164 192,242	284,076	343,488 192,242	08 09
1,089,879 619,060	101,497	1,191,376 619,060	988,048 384,702	332,752 244,243	129,424 9,945	203,328 234,298	250,868 81,000	147,540 153,298	70 71
283,227 60,598	88,520	371,747 60,598	247,833 38,084	157,574 28,764	33,060 850	123,014 27,014		123,014 27,014	72 73
1,825,023 1,161,255	1,480,871	3,312,404 1,161,255	1,890,680 690,380	1,420,252 463,313	4,438 2,438	1,421,814 460,875	994,098 302,108	427,116 98,677	74 75
532,602 155,127	59,442	602,134 155,127	203,537 68,071	338,411 87,033	9,814 577	328,597 87,050	105,228	223,369 87,056	76 77
206,270	13,761	220,040	109,230	111,653	843	110,810			78
1,703,420 554,246	1,357	1,704,777 554,246	932,282 190,483	882,239 360,335	49,744 5,572	832,405 354,763	150,000 275,170 22,600	557,325 332,103	79 80
13,041,408 7,187,080	2,777,710 20,313	15,819,118 7,214,293	11,425,094 3,509,040	0,200,746 3,771,161	1,806,722 60,808	4,304,024 3,704,353	2,600,907 1,040,488	1,787,027 2,663,805	81 82
208,208 120,050	142,420	350,688 120,050	120,851 74,633	233,863 66,196	4,026 13,879	229,837 52,317	35,530	194,307 52,317	83 84
2,031,541 926,080	352,202 480	2,383,833 927,100	1,273,024 530,005	1,130,806 432,428	20,057 41,273	1,110,809 301,155	307,124 180,000	803,085 211,155	85 86
2,758,242 900,888	503,817	3,262,059 900,888	1,788,314 463,101	1,503,970 504,784	30,231 997	1,473,745 503,787	550,543 150,028	917,202 353,759	87 88
1,093,403 388,983	800,310	1,089,719 388,983	992,748 140,519	1,002,846 243,721	5,875 1,267	996,971 242,404	535,000 54,048	461,971 188,416	89 90
0,113,340 4,505,043	854,084 550	0,967,430 4,505,593	0,732,705 2,112,959	1,065,455 2,461,414	1,730,730 8,780	234,725 2,452,634	1,172,800 653,412	1,938,075 1,799,222	91 92
836,608 213,430	28,781 25,283	865,389 238,719	517,452 170,723	357,740 62,618	9,803 622	347,637 61,996		347,637 58,966	93 94
326,906 185,503	8,421	335,327 185,503	184,302 100,015	151,025 99,943	20,305	151,025 79,548	45,000 10,500	106,025 60,048	95 96

\* Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.  
 \* Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 105.—INCOME ACCOUNT OF NONOPERATING

STATE.	Census.	Number of companies.	INCOME.		
			Total.	Rentals from operating companies.	Miscellaneous.
United States.....	1907 1902	201 1158	\$47,913,249 20,188,809	\$47,500,933 20,116,884	\$412,316 22,016
Connecticut.....	1907 1902	3 4	1,087,858 113,546	1,010,867 113,546	77,491
Delaware <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	3	43,200	43,200	
Illinois.....	1907 1902	10 8	2,028,488 3,758,702	2,028,488 3,758,702	
Indiana <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	10	1,945,781	1,946,781	
Massachusetts.....	1907 1902	19 18	2,128,500 1,986,774	2,119,919 1,986,774	8,581
New Jersey.....	1907 1902	17 4	2,166,850 1,586,217	2,166,765 1,586,217	85
New York.....	1907 1902	40 23	18,882,040 5,703,008	18,870,857 5,697,399	11,183 6,209
Ohio.....	1907 1902	17 4	3,178,599 1,059,814	3,178,599 1,059,814	
Pennsylvania.....	1907 1902	140 86	13,937,422 9,908,918	13,631,311 9,593,112	306,111 15,806
Rhode Island <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	3	1,054,080	1,054,080	
West Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	3	10,321	4,795	5,526
All other states <sup>1</sup> .....	1907 1902	14 11	850,110 2,321,260	846,771 2,321,260	3,339

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 12 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>2</sup> Defunct.

<sup>3</sup> No lessor companies reported in 1902.

TABLE 106.—CONDENSED INCOME ACCOUNT OF OPERATING

STATE.	Census.	NUMBER OF COMPANIES.			Operating earnings.	Operating expenses.	Net earnings from operation.	Miscellaneous income.
		Total.	Operating.	Lessor.				
United States.....	1907 1902	11,230 4,957	1,030 790	201 1158	\$418,187,858 247,553,900	\$251,309,252 142,312,597	\$166,878,606 105,241,402	\$11,008,712 2,072,643
Total for states having operating and lessor companies.....	1907 1902	1,971 6,641	1,680 4,483	201 1158	332,350,677 180,300,383	202,432,908 107,331,024	129,917,769 79,059,350	8,782,441 2,703,133
Connecticut.....	1907 1902	11 25	8 21	3 4	7,271,560 4,284,080	4,857,703 2,773,008	2,413,856 1,510,481	184,918 71,686
Delaware <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	7	4	3	756,108	516,253	239,915	2,015
Illinois.....	1907 1902	80 56	70 48	16 8	40,448,084 24,164,905	25,597,996 14,103,211	14,850,088 10,061,754	503,568 864,292
Indiana <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	43	33	10	11,224,545	6,308,152	4,916,393	272,223
Massachusetts.....	1907 1902	81 92	62 74	19 18	30,925,503 23,617,570	21,179,642 16,403,607	9,745,861 7,213,963	157,040 15,840
New Jersey.....	1907 1902	41 29	24 25	17 4	12,805,532 8,137,477	7,905,138 4,324,112	4,900,394 3,813,365	187,211 89,446
New York.....	1907 1902	147 119	101 96	46 23	89,856,320 59,315,006	50,928,855 33,677,724	38,927,474 25,637,282	1,840,527 1,572,388
Ohio.....	1907 1902	90 66	73 62	17 4	30,302,675 16,587,693	18,479,609 9,132,480	11,813,066 7,455,213	882,226 12,158
Pennsylvania.....	1907 1902	262 184	122 98	140 86	44,654,130 30,319,211	20,903,748 15,624,813	18,650,382 14,694,398	1,358,967 64,322
Rhode Island <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	8	5	3	4,432,099	2,744,100	1,688,833	20,038
West Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	18	15	3	2,562,800	1,540,395	1,022,405	31,451
All other states <sup>2</sup> .....	1907 1902	177 70	163 60	14 11	56,930,343 19,963,772	36,371,191 11,291,409	20,559,152 8,672,363	3,336,257 73,006

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 30 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of 12 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>5</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>6</sup> Exclusive of 8 companies which failed to furnish this information.

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LESSOR COMPANIES, BY STATES: 1907 AND 1902.

EXPENDITURES.											
Aggregate.	Taxes.	Interest.			Miscellaneous (maintenance of organization, etc.).	Net income of companies reporting net income.	Deficit of companies reporting deficit.	Net income for state.	Dividends.	Surplus.	
		Total.	On funded debt.	On floating debt and real- estate mort- gages.							
\$19,465,984 8,770,294	\$926,459 287,436	\$18,030,522 8,376,559	\$17,702,263 8,355,677	\$328,259 20,882	\$509,003 115,299	\$28,452,477 17,359,837	\$5,212 232	\$28,447,265 17,359,605	\$28,030,542 17,157,061	\$416,723 202,544	1 2
695,514 77,363	100 18,052	612,027 43,704	612,027 39,500	7,204	73,487 15,607	401,344 30,183		401,344 30,183	355,570 44,000	45,774 27,817	3 4
23,000	3,000	20,000	20,000			20,200		20,200	20,200		5
2,082,798 1,323,507	22,504	1,887,758 1,323,507	1,649,797 1,323,507	237,961	172,536	545,090 2,435,255		545,090 2,435,255	533,500 2,435,255	12,190	6 7
1,382,707	4,067	1,374,870	1,374,870		3,200	562,984		562,984	558,560	4,424	8
758,271 705,967	1,090 845	741,811 695,078	738,254 682,427	3,557 13,251	15,304 9,444	1,370,229 1,280,989		1,370,229 1,280,989	1,368,033 1,272,395	1,506 8,412	9 10
1,374,619 1,165,747	7,630	1,364,360 1,160,569	1,364,360 1,160,569		2,020 5,187	792,231 420,470		792,231 420,470	780,970 369,220	11,261 51,250	11 12
7,206,509 1,937,801	8,073	7,101,331 1,908,069	7,084,345 1,908,069	16,986	97,105 20,741	11,670,796 3,705,807	1,325	11,675,471 3,705,807	11,689,769 3,747,209	14,298 18,598	13 14
1,340,120 55,425		1,317,687 55,425	1,317,687 55,425		22,533	1,838,479 1,004,389		1,838,479 1,004,389	1,838,479 988,956	15,433	15 16
3,608,671 1,821,203	878,438 268,404	2,709,769 1,497,969	2,641,844 1,497,542	67,925 427	110,464 54,830	10,239,133 7,787,705	382 50	10,238,751 7,787,715	9,914,220 7,529,069	324,531 258,640	17 18
203,780		203,780	203,780			850,300		850,300	850,000	300	19
4,210	509	416	416		3,285	0,111		0,111		0,111	20
704,635 1,692,281	442 135	695,013 1,691,056	694,083 1,691,056	1,830	8,280 490	148,080 628,979	3,505	145,475 628,979	120,641 770,967	24,834 214,978	21 22

(Includes states as follows: 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2125, 2126, 2127, 2128, 2129, 2130, 2131, 2132, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2136, 2137, 2138, 2139, 2140, 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2146, 2147, 2148, 2149, 2150, 2151, 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2160, 2161, 2162, 2163, 2164, 2165, 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173, 2174, 2175, 2176, 2177, 2178, 2179, 2180, 2181, 2182, 2183, 2184, 2185, 2186, 2187, 2188, 2189, 2190, 2191, 2192, 2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, 2197, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2220, 2221, 2222, 2223, 2224, 2225, 2226, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2230, 2231, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2239, 2240, 2241, 2242, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2252, 2253, 2254, 2255, 2256, 2257, 2258, 2259, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2268, 2269, 2270, 2271, 2272, 2273, 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, 2278, 2279, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2329, 2330, 2331, 2332, 2333, 2334, 2335, 2336, 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340, 2341, 2342, 2343, 2344, 2345, 2346, 2347, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 2352, 2353, 2354, 2355, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2359, 2360, 2361, 2362, 2363, 2364, 2365, 2366, 2367, 2368, 2369, 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 2374, 2375, 2376, 2377, 2378, 2379, 2380, 2381, 2382, 2383, 2384, 2385, 2386, 2387, 2388, 2389, 2390, 2391, 2392, 2393, 2394, 2395, 2396, 2397, 2398, 2399, 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417, 2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422, 2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2457, 2458, 2459, 2460, 2461, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2467, 2468, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 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\*Includes states as follows: 1907—California, 1; Iowa, 2; Louisiana, 1; Maryland, 2; Nebraska, 2; New Hampshire, 2; North Carolina, 1; Utah, 1; Virginia, 1; Washington, 1. 1902—Colorado, 1; Maine, 1; Maryland, 2; Missouri, 1; New Hampshire, 6.

AND LESSOR COMPANIES COMBINED, BY STATES: 1907 AND 1902.

Rentals from operating companies.	Gross income, less operating expenses.	DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES).							Net income.	Dividends.	Surplus.	
		Aggregate.	Taxes.	Interest.			Rent of leased lines and termi- nals.	Miscellane- ous deduc- tions.				
				Total.	On funded debt.	On floating debt and real- estate mort- gages.						
\$47,500,933 26,116,884	\$226,348,251 134,330,929	\$157,560,700 86,367,456	\$20,682,001 13,306,335	\$81,771,266 46,462,470	\$71,408,788 43,578,961	\$10,302,478 2,883,509	\$48,022,596 25,518,225	\$7,084,777 1,020,426	\$68,787,551 47,963,473	\$54,485,274 33,039,171	\$14,302,277 14,924,302	1 2
47,500,933 26,116,884	186,201,143 107,879,376	133,001,619 71,802,227	16,462,535 10,831,370	63,387,517 34,828,503	54,021,139 32,442,078	8,466,378 2,385,525	48,007,850 25,493,441	5,143,717 648,913	53,199,524 36,077,149	45,653,682 27,600,793	7,545,842 8,416,356	3 4
1,010,367 113,546	3,609,091 1,695,713	2,841,161 1,205,682	350,612 261,445	822,535 801,284	737,305 708,008	85,230 32,676	831,650 108,046	827,364 34,907	767,930 490,031	413,226 275,062	354,704 214,969	5 6
43,200	285,130	226,623	18,333	163,255	67,000	96,255	43,200	1,835	58,507	72,200	13,693	7
2,628,488 3,758,762	17,982,144 14,684,808	12,751,308 9,776,098	2,040,693 1,488,359	7,795,303 4,361,337	7,084,031 4,110,070	711,362 251,267	2,048,012 3,876,007	267,210 51,995	5,230,836 4,908,110	2,870,629 4,745,965	2,360,207 162,145	8 9
1,945,781	7,134,397	5,800,332	508,940	3,258,142	3,151,028	106,514	1,966,043	131,307	1,274,065	707,058	567,007	10
2,119,919 1,986,774	12,022,820 9,216,517	7,810,610 5,814,586	1,912,000 1,610,311	3,352,738 2,219,920	2,646,831 1,753,609	705,907 466,257	2,145,639 1,967,540	408,627 16,779	4,203,210 3,101,931	3,789,689 3,182,455	413,521 219,476	11 12
2,166,765 1,586,217	7,344,370 5,439,028	7,130,015 4,791,487	635,140 431,912	4,205,064 2,733,071	3,965,219 2,636,943	239,845 97,028	2,272,148 1,586,217	17,063 39,387	214,355 647,541	663,898 447,640	739,543 199,901	13 14
18,870,937 5,697,590	59,638,858 32,907,664	42,560,656 21,490,756	4,305,798 3,428,461	16,832,136 12,241,187	14,231,277 11,436,803	2,600,859 804,384	19,279,392 5,719,589	2,143,330 101,519	17,078,202 11,416,008	17,255,433 6,880,864	177,231 4,530,044	15 16
3,178,599 1,059,814	15,973,891 8,527,185	10,555,703 601,142	1,387,052 601,142	5,930,010 2,513,009	5,204,903 2,350,603	725,050 162,316	3,155,380 1,006,636	83,252 12,504	5,418,188 4,336,594	4,154,167 2,633,554	1,264,021 1,700,340	17 18
13,631,311 9,593,112	33,640,660 24,341,832	23,042,694 14,689,489	2,102,832 1,844,880	7,029,518 3,554,135	5,704,603 3,368,082	1,324,915 180,053	13,554,786 8,902,431	355,558 388,043	10,597,966 9,652,343	10,891,448 8,150,850	293,482 1,501,403	19 20
1,054,080	2,768,051	1,742,573	292,145	388,786	287,005	101,781	1,054,080	7,562	1,026,378	850,000	176,378	21
4,795	1,058,651	747,410	94,002	640,172	509,143	131,029	4,795	8,441	311,241	26,400	284,841	22
846,771 2,321,260	24,742,180 11,066,629	17,723,534 9,840,238	2,810,382 1,164,830	12,960,759 6,403,654	11,332,134 6,018,110	1,637,625 385,544	1,051,825 2,267,975	891,568 3,779	7,018,646 1,226,391	3,669,534 1,844,373	3,349,112 117,982	23 24

\*No lessor companies reported in 1902.

\*Deficit.

\*Includes states as follows: 1907—California, 42; Iowa, 26; Louisiana, 12; Maryland, 15; Nebraska, 10; New Hampshire, 18; North Carolina, 12; Utah, 4; Virginia, 23; Washington, 15. 1902—Colorado, 8; Maine, 20; Maryland, 12; Missouri, 17; New Hampshire, 13.

## II.

## OPERATING EARNINGS AND MISCELLANEOUS INCOME.

*Operating earnings.*<sup>1</sup>—The gross income shown in Tables 87 and 88 includes amounts derived from sources other than the operation of railway properties. Deducting these amounts, there remains as the earnings from operating \$247,553,999 in 1902 and \$418,187,858 in 1907, an increase of \$170,633,859, or 68.9 per cent.

Operating earnings include all income from any of the following sources: From passenger traffic; from chartered cars and freight, mail, and express business; from the sale of current; and from certain miscellaneous sources. Of these earnings, the income from passenger service, which includes, in addition to cash fares, money received from the sale of tickets and commutation books, and all other income derived directly from passenger traffic, constitutes the most important item. The income from chartered cars is obtained from the hire of special-purpose cars, such as observation, theater, or funeral cars. These two items and the amounts derived from the freight, mail, and express business<sup>2</sup> represent practically all the income obtained directly from the operations of the road or from the car service, amounting in 1907 to \$390,276,347 and in 1902 to \$235,997,005, an increase of \$154,279,342, or 65.4 per cent.

The income from the sale of current, either to other public-service corporations or to the general public, is the second largest item of operating earnings, and increased by \$12,389,728, or 160.8 per cent, during the census interval. This marked increase reflects the growth of the practice of operating light and power stations in connection with railways.

The miscellaneous earnings increased from \$3,853,420 in 1902 to \$7,818,209 in 1907, an absolute increase of \$3,964,789, or 102.9 per cent. These earnings are composed principally of income from advertising; rent of land and buildings, used mainly for the operation of the railway property; rent of tracks, the use of which had not been abandoned by the lessor; rent of equipment; and receipts from parks and pleasure resorts. The standard form of accounting provides that only the net income or net expense of parks, park resorts, or similar property shall be carried in the railway accounts, and that such income shall be treated as "Miscellaneous income" rather than "Miscellaneous earnings." But this practice was not followed by all the companies in their returns, some of them reporting instead the total expenses and the

gross income of such property. While the latter method of accounting tends to inflate both the income and the expenses reported, the net income in both cases is the same.

The following statement illustrates the differences in the relative importance of the different sources of revenue for the street and electric railways and the steam railroads of the country:

*Per cent distribution, by source, of operating earnings of street and electric railways and steam railroads: 1907.*

SOURCE.	Street and electric railways.	Steam railroads.
Operating earnings.....	100.0	100.0
Passenger service.....	91.4	21.8
Freight service.....	1.3	70.4
Mail service.....	0.2	1.9
Express service.....	0.4	2.2
All other.....	0.8	3.6

The income from passenger service represents about nine-tenths of the operating income of the electric railways and only about two-tenths of that of the steam roads. Freight business, which is just beginning to be of importance on the electric railways, furnishes slightly more than seven-tenths of the revenue of steam roads.

*Operating earnings of companies, classified according to income from railway operations.*—As already noted, the classification of railways according to size is based upon their income from railway operations. Thus any income from the sale of current—which is treated as operating earnings in the census statistics—and all items of income that make up the total of "Miscellaneous income," not from operation, have no effect in determining the class of any railway, however greatly they may swell its gross income.

Necessarily when street railways were confined to cities by the fact that they depended on the use of animal or cable power, almost the entire income from their operation was derived from passenger traffic. It is only recently, since the introduction of electricity and the extension of interurban roads, that any income has been obtained from freight, mail, and express business, and even at the last census, although a considerable number of companies reported income from these sources, the total amount reported represented less than 2 per cent of the total earnings. Yet these subordinate branches of railway service, representing as they do a development in operating practice that seems certain of a large future growth, possess considerable interest. The relative importance of the passenger service and the others naturally varies greatly with the size and character of the companies and the locality served.

<sup>1</sup> Earnings reduced to track, car-mile, and passenger units are given in the section on "general results of operation," p. 169.

<sup>2</sup> See also p. 92.

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TABLE 107.—OPERATING EARNINGS, BY SOURCE, OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

SOURCE.	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					Per cent of total.				
			\$1,000,000 and over. (A)	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000. (B)	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000. (C)	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000. (D)	Less than \$100,000. (E)					
								A	B	C	D	E
Number of companies.....	1907 1902	1 939 2 790	76 44	50 28	80 53	182 112	551 202	8.1 5.5	5.3 3.5	8.5 6.6	19.4 14.0	58.7 70.3
Percent of increase.....		17.5	72.7	78.6	50.9	62.5	52.0					
Operating earnings, total.....	1907 1902	\$418,187,858 \$247,553,099	\$207,062,346 \$167,743,251	\$36,597,437 \$20,531,216	\$30,210,402 \$19,212,180	\$31,752,493 \$19,440,952	\$22,565,180 \$20,026,420	71.0 67.8	8.8 8.3	7.2 7.8	7.6 7.9	5.4 8.3
Percent of increase.....		68.0	77.1	78.3	57.2	63.3	9.4					
Passengers.....	1907 1902	\$382,132,404 \$233,821,548	\$280,387,112 \$162,529,682	\$32,566,510 \$10,318,842	\$25,010,001 \$17,447,179	\$25,529,466 \$17,300,180	\$18,039,399 \$17,225,065	73.4 69.5	8.5 8.3	6.7 7.5	6.7 7.4	4.7 7.4
Percent of increase.....		63.4	72.5	68.6	46.8	47.6	4.7					
Chartered cars.....	1907 1902	\$705,261 \$303,608	\$437,082 \$172,200	\$84,709 \$31,320	\$70,583 \$32,701	\$74,000 \$36,627	\$33,287 \$30,682	82.0 50.7	12.0 10.3	10.0 10.8	10.6 12.1	5.4 10.1
Percent of increase.....		132.3	153.7	170.4	115.8	103.7	24.8					
Freight.....	1907 1902	\$5,231,215 \$1,038,097	\$1,571,703 \$164,712	\$912,903 \$50,422	\$1,045,410 \$220,640	\$1,030,376 \$166,482	\$670,763 \$435,841	30.0 15.9	17.5 4.9	20.0 21.3	19.7 16.0	12.8 42.0
Percent of increase.....		403.9	854.2	1,710.5	373.8	518.9	53.9					
Mail.....	1907 1902	\$646,575 \$432,080	\$448,462 \$287,407	\$43,283 \$25,273	\$38,648 \$34,746	\$62,024 \$38,976	\$54,158 \$45,678	69.4 66.5	6.7 5.9	6.0 8.0	9.6 9.0	8.4 10.6
Percent of increase.....		49.0	56.0	71.3	11.2	59.1	18.6					
Express.....	1907 1902	\$1,560,802 \$401,072	\$873,080 \$144,405	\$250,725 \$97,546	\$146,201 \$79,135	\$194,083 \$79,135	\$95,813 \$59,520	56.0 36.0	16.1 5.2	9.4 24.3	12.4 19.7	6.1 14.8
Percent of increase.....		288.0	505.0	1,093.6	49.9	145.3	61.0					
Sale of electric current.....	1907 1902	\$20,093,302 \$7,703,574	\$7,539,308 \$2,145,348	\$2,225,519 \$784,957	\$2,727,101 \$936,871	\$4,318,056 \$1,458,066	\$3,284,318 \$2,378,332	37.5 27.8	11.1 10.2	13.6 12.2	21.5 18.9	16.3 30.9
Percent of increase.....		160.8	251.4	183.5	191.1	196.1	38.1					
Miscellaneous sources.....	1907 1902	\$7,818,209 \$3,853,420	\$5,805,630 \$2,209,368	\$513,782 \$290,787	\$572,458 \$442,477	\$543,888 \$361,486	\$382,442 \$450,702	74.3 50.7	6.6 7.8	7.3 11.5	7.0 9.4	4.9 11.7
Percent of increase.....		102.9	152.5	71.6	29.4	50.5	15.1					

1 Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

2 Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

3 Decrease.

The exclusion of the income from sale of current in classifying the companies according to size obviously results in the assignment of some companies to classes made up of smaller companies than the class to which they would have been assigned in a classification based on gross income. The average operating earnings per company in 1907, including income from the sale of current, were \$445,354; and the averages for the various classes were as follows: A, \$3,008,715; B, \$731,949; C, \$377,630; D, \$174,464; E, \$40,953. The operating earnings shown for each class as a whole are larger for 1907 than for 1902, the increases varying from 9.4 per cent for Class E to 78.3 per cent for Class B. The operating earnings per company also increased for each class except Class B, in which there was a decrease per company, although, as just stated, the class as a whole shows a larger percentage of increase than any of the others.

The largest companies, comprising Class A, account for over three-fifths of the total earnings from passengers, chartered cars, mail, and miscellaneous sources in 1907. Indeed, the only specified sources of earnings for which these large companies did not report more than half of the respective totals were freight service and the sale of electric current. Of the total freight earnings, the companies belonging to Class A still show the largest share (30 per cent), but the proportions are more evenly distributed among the classes than for any other item. The companies in Classes A and B show an increased proportion of the total in 1907 as compared with 1902 for each specified source

of earnings, while with but few exceptions the companies of Classes C, D, and E show correspondingly decreased proportion. Such a statistical showing was to have been expected as a result both of the normal growth of companies during the five-year interval and of the numerous consolidations that have been effected.

The operating earnings of all companies and of the several income classes are distributed among the specified sources by percentages, rather than by absolute amounts, in Table 108.

TABLE 108.—Per cent distribution, by source, of operating earnings of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

SOURCE.	Census.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EARNINGS.					
		Total.	A	B	C	D	E
Operating earnings.....	1907 1902	100.0 100.0	100.0 100.0	100.0 100.0	100.0 100.0	100.0 100.0	100.0 100.0
Passengers.....	1907 1902	91.4 94.5	94.4 96.9	89.0 94.1	84.8 90.8	80.4 89.0	79.9 83.5
Chartered cars.....	1907 1902	0.2 0.1	0.1 0.1	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.1
Freight.....	1907 1902	1.3 0.4	0.5 0.1	2.5 0.2	3.5 1.1	3.2 0.9	3.0 2.1
Mail.....	1907 1902	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.2	0.1 0.1	0.1 0.2	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.2
Express.....	1907 1902	0.4 0.2	0.3 0.1	0.7 0.1	0.5 0.5	0.6 0.4	0.4 0.3
Sale of electric current.....	1907 1902	4.8 3.1	2.5 1.3	6.1 3.8	9.0 4.9	18.6 7.5	14.6 11.5
Miscellaneous sources.....	1907 1902	1.9 1.6	2.0 1.4	1.4 1.5	1.9 2.3	1.7 1.9	1.7 2.2



The statistics in this table show clearly how largely the business of electric railways is still dependent upon passenger traffic. Although the freight and electric-light departments of electric-railway business developed greatly during the five years intervening between the censuses, the earnings from passengers carried still constituted over 90 per cent of all earnings in 1907. It is noteworthy that the percentages increase regularly with increase in the size of companies from the 79.9 per cent shown for Class E to the 94.4 per cent shown for Class A; and that the same gradation appears in the statistics for 1902.

As compared with 1902, 1907 shows a decrease in the relative importance of passenger earnings for all classes. The counterbalancing increases are in every case almost entirely confined to the items freight and express service and sale of current, since there are no considerable changes in any other items. All com-

panies combined and the several classes show a proportionate increase of earnings from freight service, and an even greater one for earnings from sale of current. Freight service attained its greatest relative importance among companies of medium size, as 3.5 per cent of the earnings shown for Class C are attributed to that source; and sale of current had its greatest relative significance for the small companies of Classes E and D, 14.6 per cent and 13.6 per cent, respectively, of the earnings of these classes, being attributed to this source.

*Operating earnings of companies with and without commercial lighting, and of part-time companies.*—The operating earnings of companies "Without commercial lighting" and "With commercial lighting" respectively, and of "Part-time" companies, are distributed among the specified sources by their absolute amounts in Table 109, and by their percentages in Table 110.

TABLE 109.—OPERATING EARNINGS, BY SOURCE, OF COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.

SOURCE.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.								Per cent of increase.			
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.							
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	Total.	With-out light-ing.	With light-ing.	Part-time.
Number of companies.....	900	799	709	630	175	112	55	57			17.5	12.5	50.3	3.5
Operating earnings, total.....	\$418,187,858	\$247,553,909	\$347,055,013	\$222,939,978	\$68,980,416	\$22,088,050	\$1,240,420	\$2,475,305			68.9	56.0	212.3	40.6
Passengers.....	382,132,404	238,821,548	331,504,175	210,392,393	40,500,101	15,084,584	1,128,158	2,344,571			63.4	53.2	228.2	51.9
Chartered cars.....	705,201	903,008	559,853	291,054	144,002	38,949	746	3,005			132.3	114.0	271.4	75.2
Freight.....	5,231,215	1,039,097	4,077,049	834,233	1,121,752	182,076	32,414	21,738			403.9	388.7	510.1	48.8
Mail.....	646,575	432,080	577,721	409,376	88,478	20,023	376	2,081			49.0	41.1	232.0	81.9
Express.....	1,660,852	401,872	1,139,524	378,093	413,075	17,580	7,003	5,410			288.0	201.0	2,257.5	29.2
Sale of electric current.....	20,093,352	7,703,574	3,504,084	1,190,025	16,530,807	6,445,542	58,411	62,007			100.8	193.0	150.5	5.8
Miscellaneous sources.....	7,818,200	8,859,420	6,592,307	3,517,604	1,200,831	209,322	19,321	30,494			102.9	87.4	303.1	47.1

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 13 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of 2 part-time companies.

<sup>5</sup> Decrease.

TABLE 110.—Per cent distribution, by source, of operating earnings of companies with and without commercial lighting, and of part-time companies: 1907 and 1902.

SOURCE.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EARNINGS.							
	Total, all companies.		Without commercial lighting.		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Operating earnings.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Passengers.....	91.4	94.5	95.3	97.0	71.8	68.3	90.5	94.7
Chartered cars.....	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Freight.....	1.3	0.4	1.2	0.4	1.0	0.8	2.6	0.0
Mail.....	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	0.1	
Express.....	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.2
Sale of electric current.....	4.8	3.1	1.0	0.5	24.0	29.2	4.7	2.5
Miscellaneous sources.....	1.9	1.6	1.0	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.5

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

As previously explained, the amount of income from the sale of current reported by companies without commercial lighting represents small amounts received

from the incidental sale of current for power, from the sale of current to other railway companies, and from the sale of current to electric light and power companies for distribution. Although the proportion of total income from sale of current for companies classified as without commercial lighting was slightly larger in 1907 than in 1902, it did not rise above 1 per cent of the total even in 1907. The service, in the case of such companies, can not properly be considered as constituting a regular light and power department, since it is in the nature of a wholesale business and is not attended by the expense of distributing the current.

Table 110 makes it clear, as might have been expected, that the sale of current by the companies "With commercial lighting" changes the relative proportions of earnings from sale of current and from passenger service, inversely, and that it does not appreciably affect the proportions attributable to the

other sources, severally or as a whole. And even as to these proportions there was a tendency to uniformity in the census interval, since passenger earnings fell from 97 per cent to 95.3 per cent of gross operating earnings in the case of companies without commercial lighting, while in the case of companies with commercial lighting the same proportion increased from 68.3 per cent to 71.8 per cent; and on the other hand, income from sale of current increased for companies without commercial lighting from five-tenths of 1 per cent to 1 per cent, while it decreased for the other

class from 29.2 per cent to 24 per cent. The part-time companies also show a relative decrease in passenger earnings and counterbalancing increases in sale of current and freight service.

*Operating earnings of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service.*—The operating earnings for the companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service, are distributed among the specified sources by absolute amounts in Table 111, and by their percentages in Table 112.

TABLE 111.—OPERATING EARNINGS, BY SOURCE, OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.

SOURCE.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	930	6	933	50	100	780
Operating earnings, total.....	\$418,187,858	\$33,874,054	\$384,313,804	\$29,155,121	\$1,407,010	\$387,625,718
Passengers.....	382,132,404	31,601,510	350,530,978	25,485,341	1,288,892	355,358,261
Chartered cars.....	705,261	705,261	705,261	100,302	1,347	603,612
Freight.....	5,231,215	5,231,215	5,231,215	1,431,811	74,519	3,724,885
Mail.....	640,575	17,048	628,627	37,082	7,782	601,711
Express.....	1,560,802	31,721	1,529,081	420,710	7,405	1,132,687
Sale of electric current.....	20,093,302	107,775	19,985,527	1,209,308	4,085	18,879,909
Miscellaneous sources.....	7,818,209	2,115,094	5,703,115	470,567	22,980	7,324,655

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.  
<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.  
<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

TABLE 112.—Per cent distribution, by source, of operating earnings of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service: 1907.

SOURCE.	Total, all companies.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EARNINGS.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways.	Electric surface railways.	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Operating earnings.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Passengers.....	91.4	93.3	91.2	87.4	91.6	91.7
Chartered cars.....	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2
Freight.....	1.3	1.4	1.4	4.9	5.3	1.9
Mail.....	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2
Express.....	0.4	0.1	0.4	1.4	0.5	0.3
Sale of electric current.....	4.8	0.3	5.2	4.1	0.3	4.9
Miscellaneous sources.....	1.9	6.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.9

As the selected groups in these tables are typical rather than comprehensive, the principal interest of the statistics lies in the figures showing the per cent distribution of the total operating earnings rather than in the figures showing absolute amounts. Aside from the miscellaneous earnings from advertising, rents, etc., the passenger receipts are practically the only source of revenue on elevated and subway railways.

The per cent ratio of passenger earnings to total operating earnings is considerably lower for the 50 selected interurban lines than for any other class in

the table. A low ratio was to be expected, in view of the extent to which such roads have developed freight and express business during recent years. Though the selected small urban roads show a larger proportion for freight than do the interurban, it appears from Table 111 that the absolute amount received by the 100 small urban roads was only about one-twentieth the amount reported by the 50 interurban. And even this small amount represents for the most part the earnings of two or three companies carrying a special line of freight on short hauls.

*Operating earnings, by states.*—Table 116 presents a detailed analysis of the statistics of operating earnings for 1907 and 1902, for the geographic divisions and for the several states. New York, with its dense centers of population, naturally leads in total earnings, with \$89,856,329 in 1907, while North and South Dakota bring up the rear, with combined earnings of only \$112,079. New York also ranks first in earnings from mail service, \$93,186; from express business, \$438,994; and from miscellaneous sources, \$2,658,612. Ohio shows the largest amount reported for revenue from freight, \$693,638. In 1902 the leading states were the same, except that Michigan, instead of New York, ranked first in the amount of revenue from express business. In earnings from sale of electric current, Ohio led in 1907, with \$1,607,599, and Georgia in 1902, with \$727,847.

TABLE 113.—*Per cent distribution, by source, of operating earnings, by geographic divisions: 1907.*

DIVISION.	PER CENT OF TOTAL FOR UNITED STATES.							
	Operating earnings, total.	Passengers.	Chartered cars.	Freight.	Mail.	Express.	Sale of electric current.	Miscellaneous sources.
United States	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North Atlantic	46.3	48.1	45.7	20.4	44.7	50.0	17.8	51.5
South Atlantic	6.8	0.0	3.0	4.0	0.3	4.9	23.7	5.4
North Central	31.8	31.6	20.8	45.1	86.1	37.1	29.5	33.8
South Central	5.9	5.5	4.8	3.2	3.0	0.0	14.7	3.0
Western	9.2	8.8	16.1	27.2	6.9	7.4	14.4	5.7

The railways in the North Atlantic and North Central divisions combined reported over three-fourths of the total operating earnings of all companies, but, as was the case in respect to other traffic statistics, the Western states showed the highest rate of gain in earnings, 128.3 per cent. Of the several classes of revenue in 1907, the most marked examples of localization appear in miscellaneous earnings and express earnings in the North Atlantic division. This division also reported 48.1 per cent of all passenger earnings, 45.7 per cent of the total revenue from chartered cars, and 44.7 per cent of the total receipts from carrying mail. The largest proportion of the total freight earnings was reported for the North Central division, which also reported the largest percentage of the earnings from the sale of electric current.

*Miscellaneous income.*—The term "Miscellaneous income" is used to designate all receipts or income from sources other than the operation of railway property. In 1907 miscellaneous income of operating companies amounted in the aggregate to \$11,556,396 as compared with \$2,950,628 in 1902, an increase of \$8,605,768, or 291.7 per cent. This apparently large increase may be due partly to the fact that the schedule of inquiry for 1902 did not call for full details concerning this class of income. It is thus possible that it was not fully reported or entirely separated from other earnings at that time. Table 114 analyzes the aggregate miscellaneous income for 1907 and shows the totals for geographic divisions and states.

The total, \$3,255,618, received by all operating companies in the United States from interest on bonds and dividends on stocks of other electric railways, represents an average return of only 1.55 per cent on the book value of such holdings as reported to the Census Bureau in the balance-sheet statements of the companies. In part explanation of this showing, it should be stated that of the 108 operating companies that reported such security holdings, only about two-fifths reported any return on the investments. It is probable that a very great proportion of these securities were common stock, acquired for purposes of control or consolidation, with little or no expectation of immediate dividends. Even with this explanation, however, it should be added that the

figures are probably among the least reliable of all with which the census of street and electric railways has to deal.

TABLE 114.—*Miscellaneous income, by source, of operating companies, by states and geographic divisions: 1907.*

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Total.	SOURCE.		
		Interest on bonds and dividends on stocks of other electric railways.	Other permanent investments.	Other miscellaneous income.
United States	\$11,556,396	\$3,255,618	\$4,972,164	\$3,328,614
North Atlantic division	3,400,886	1,201,888	680,068	1,518,930
Maine	33,548		20,501	3,687
New Hampshire	3,225			3,225
Vermont	12,803		10,600	2,863
Massachusetts	148,450		2,590	145,860
Rhode Island	25,038	19,120		6,918
Connecticut	107,427	8,687	85,324	13,416
New York	1,820,344	401,263	320,027	1,099,054
New Jersey	187,126	22,237	97,060	67,829
Pennsylvania	1,052,856	600,581	155,588	230,687
South Atlantic division	1,072,908	115,253	795,093	162,652
Delaware	2,015			2,015
Maryland and District of Columbia	515,370	56,688	421,420	37,871
Virginia	240,242	30,750	143,158	66,334
West Virginia	25,925		0,505	16,420
North Carolina	100,008	22,415	68,730	17,864
South Carolina	62,840		61,374	1,466
Georgia	104,258		90,897	13,361
Florida	4,331			4,331
North Central division	2,500,410	547,725	1,090,074	856,620
Ohio	882,226	145,747	508,505	107,974
Indiana	272,223	20,973	134,058	117,192
Illinois	603,508	20,474	202,158	274,936
Michigan	83,386		26,004	57,382
Wisconsin	527,753	354,031	70,593	94,120
Minnesota	8,138			8,138
Iowa	95,210	500	31,454	63,256
Missouri	82,484		30,817	51,667
North and South Dakota	50			50
Nebraska	6,348			6,348
Kansas	39,033		23,485	15,548
South Central division	1,404,383	780,666	663,128	60,589
Kentucky	15,835		14,022	1,813
Tennessee	37,100	20,000	14,053	3,047
Alabama	101,497	674	97,285	3,538
Mississippi	88,520		78,718	9,802
Louisiana	1,486,871	750,092	600,028	26,951
Arkansas	50,442		50,036	406
Oklahoma	13,701		80	13,675
Texas	1,357			1,357
Western division	2,777,710	610,086	1,437,801	720,823
Montana	142,420		137,266	5,154
Colorado	352,292	300,974	1,296	44,022
Washington	503,817	13,200	211,582	279,035
Oregon	896,316	284,055	598,090	13,271
California	854,084	4,057	487,219	361,908
All other Western states and territories <sup>1</sup>	28,781		2,348	26,433
Hawaii and Porto Rico	8,421	3,177		5,244

<sup>1</sup>Includes states and territories as follows: Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah.

The income from "Other permanent investments," representing the return to the railway companies on their investments in all sorts of allied industries, amounted to \$4,972,164, or an average rate of 3.64 per cent on a total reported investment of \$136,768,104. The income reported for this item is, in the majority of cases, the net amount, and the average rate of return on the total investment, therefore, represents a fair rate of interest. About two-thirds of the 198 operating companies that reported investments of this character reported also an income from this source.

The income from all sources other than those specified was consolidated for census purposes under a single heading, designated as "Other miscellaneous income." It amounted in 1907 to \$3,328,614. This total is made up of interest on deposits; rent of tracks, the use of which had been abandoned by the lessor; rent of land and buildings, conducted as an outside investment; etc.

An interesting feature of interurban railway promotion was brought to light by a miscellaneous income item of \$26,915, which was reported as "subsidy." The company explained that a subsidy had been voted the railway by farmers and merchants along the right of way, to be paid in two annual installments, and that the amount reported for 1907 was the second or last installment. The proceeds of this subsidy were used to pay the interest on bonds for the first two years after the road began operation.

Miscellaneous income shows little or no tendency to vary directly or inversely with operating earnings, either from time to time or from company to company. Indeed, the miscellaneous income item seems to vary according to no discoverable principle. Thus at the census of 1902, 53.1 per cent of the total for this item was reported for New York and 29.3 per cent for Illinois, a total of 82.4 per cent for these two states; while in 1907 the percentages were only

15.8 for New York and 4.4 for Illinois, a total for the two of only 20.2 per cent. Table 114 shows that the states of the North Atlantic division reported by far the largest part of the totals for interest on bonds and dividends on stocks of the electric railways, and for other miscellaneous income; but that it reported the smallest part of the total for income from other permanent investments.

Table 115 presents the miscellaneous income of operating companies by income classes. It appears by the table that although the companies of Class A—the largest companies—still received in 1907 over one-half of all the miscellaneous income, the proportion for the class had fallen since 1902 from almost 90 per cent.

TABLE 115.—Miscellaneous income of operating companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	\$11,556,396	\$2,950,628
A. \$1,000,000 and over.....	\$6,008,657	\$2,585,249
Per cent of total.....	52.0	87.6
B. \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.....	\$2,047,145	\$32,815
Per cent of total.....	17.7	1.1
C. \$250,000 but less than \$500,000.....	\$907,264	\$80,872
Per cent of total.....	7.8	2.7
D. \$100,000 but less than \$250,000.....	\$1,782,025	\$54,624
Per cent of total.....	15.0	1.9
E. Less than \$100,000.....	\$1,161,905	\$197,968
Per cent of total.....	10.0	6.7

TABLE 116.—OPERATING EARNINGS, BY SOURCE, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	OPERATING EARNINGS.							
			Total.	Passengers.	Chartered cars.	Freight.	Mail.	Express.	Sale of electric current.	Miscellaneous sources.
United States.....	1907	1930	\$418,187,858	\$382,132,494	\$705,261	\$5,231,215	\$646,575	\$1,560,802	\$20,093,302	\$7,818,209
	1902	2700	247,553,990	233,821,548	303,608	1,038,007	432,080	401,672	7,705,574	3,853,420
North Atlantic division.....	1907	365	103,820,057	183,757,613	322,326	1,068,075	780,341	3,582,074	4,026,494	
	1902	356	131,034,080	126,492,180	157,241	416,527	200,736	126,419	1,302,546	2,279,431
Maine.....	1907	17	2,259,049	1,872,405	4,217	95,075	9,200	13,135	228,537	37,020
	1902	19	1,542,508	1,311,198	251	80,380	6,179	9,409	102,818	32,773
New Hampshire.....	1907	16	1,088,057	1,022,305	3,575	13,726	4,350	550	21,293	23,098
	1902	7	604,131	579,546	.....	1,182	4,050	120	10,625	8,608
Vermont.....	1907	10	441,389	380,659	826	38,622	2,610	3,850	9,779	5,043
	1902	9	249,228	216,013	.....	23,351	2,201	1,768	.....	5,895
Massachusetts.....	1907	62	30,925,503	29,524,876	103,489	72,640	73,743	50,666	471,704	628,585
	1902	74	23,017,570	22,807,816	43,182	12,876	48,454	4,140	250,109	451,493
Rhode Island.....	1907	5	4,432,999	4,120,599	15,757	33,917	3,763	143,827	69,489	36,047
	1902	7	2,064,260	2,874,255	1,963	43,835	1,769	536	25,687	10,215
Connecticut.....	1907	8	7,271,569	6,257,553	21,770	32,405	9,642	49,304	763,942	136,953
	1902	21	4,284,080	3,820,094	12,435	16,052	6,807	16,060	348,237	54,204
New York.....	1907	101	80,856,329	84,005,880	77,453	612,865	93,186	438,904	1,369,339	2,658,612
	1902	96	59,315,006	57,347,930	53,418	197,324	65,077	64,213	471,509	1,110,135
New Jersey.....	1907	24	12,805,532	12,682,531	40,108	20,105	7,252	198	83,494	61,844
	1902	25	8,137,477	7,959,544	21,585	5,364	4,822	96	15,459	100,607
Pennsylvania.....	1907	122	44,054,130	43,281,845	55,131	148,720	85,428	79,817	564,497	428,092
	1902	98	30,319,211	29,537,284	24,407	35,563	61,377	28,477	138,602	493,501
South Atlantic division.....	1907	100	28,531,988	22,985,107	25,081	210,613	59,924	76,333	4,766,566	418,394
	1902	75	14,980,177	12,794,719	18,354	74,735	46,999	13,187	1,764,372	286,811
Delaware.....	1907	4	750,168	674,450	584	7,421	64	15	69,073	4,555
	1902	3	500,412	470,559	494	2,270	.....	.....	5,112	15,997
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907	19	11,617,214	11,246,562	4,419	35,897	48,975	15,693	145,050	120,678
	1902	18	7,893,813	7,599,703	9,949	16,310	42,108	11,160	62,683	151,271
Virginia.....	1907	22	5,152,173	3,531,681	6,390	70,356	4,184	100	1,437,087	102,375
	1902	16	1,559,478	1,103,732	2,036	12,791	1,617	368	387,031	45,903
West Virginia.....	1907	15	2,662,800	2,130,823	1,925	18,372	1,631	35,100	333,565	32,384
	1902	8	1,102,171	958,805	100	6,160	755	.....	126,117	10,234
North Carolina.....	1907	11	1,186,469	680,472	845	14,953	453	2,358	473,651	13,737
	1902	7	437,259	247,812	75	8,367	.....	1,500	163,657	15,848

1 Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

2 Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

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TABLE 116.—OPERATING EARNINGS, BY SOURCE, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Cont'd.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	OPERATING EARNINGS.							
			Total.	Passengers.	Chartered cars.	Freight.	Mail.	Express.	Sale of electric current.	Miscellaneous sources.
South Atlantic division—Continued.										
South Carolina.....	1907	7	\$1,273,617	\$793,950	\$1,186	\$17,384	\$850	\$10,370	\$437,483	\$12,376
	1902	7	697,577	401,553	61	16,579	1,504	.....	171,562	6,318
Georgia.....	1907	12	4,616,337	2,962,857	7,592	31,574	2,919	12,487	1,484,966	113,942
	1902	10	2,375,224	1,594,932	4,972	9,772	440	150	727,847	37,061
Florida.....	1907	10	1,367,210	955,390	2,140	14,050	842	204	375,001	18,317
	1902	6	529,743	411,533	667	2,480	515	.....	110,393	4,179
North Central division.....	1907	203	132,783,152	120,840,450	210,514	2,361,058	233,451	579,355	5,917,478	2,640,837
	1902	235	73,285,248	68,751,008	100,713	320,610	145,621	253,050	2,729,138	979,099
Ohio.....	1907	73	30,392,675	27,007,611	64,887	693,638	48,141	334,312	1,007,599	636,487
	1902	62	16,687,093	15,293,910	37,450	211,842	35,171	57,079	602,619	349,010
Indiana.....	1907	33	11,224,545	9,815,612	19,536	463,122	6,951	73,254	383,177	462,803
	1902	26	3,813,070	3,532,579	6,858	18,781	1,977	17,893	144,323	90,665
Illinois.....	1907	70	40,448,084	37,453,153	33,685	450,315	66,965	120,583	1,301,130	1,022,253
	1902	48	24,164,905	23,270,828	12,615	28,165	42,596	10,148	519,958	285,655
Michigan.....	1907	24	10,948,588	9,015,719	45,848	519,032	18,483	10,114	340,855	97,637
	1902	24	6,404,601	6,014,842	20,313	47,904	11,143	153,224	195,428	51,837
Wisconsin.....	1907	20	6,135,064	5,099,530	15,886	4,230	1,348	6,607	971,995	65,403
	1902	17	3,902,050	3,155,198	11,489	.....	765	582	690,284	43,771
Minnesota.....	1907	5	7,048,370	6,943,683	9,069	1,871	4,915	.....	60,656	28,176
	1902	5	3,727,648	3,656,483	4,138	.....	4,335	.....	49,680	19,612
Iowa.....	1907	24	4,205,930	3,415,603	1,435	173,415	6,831	12,109	579,115	107,422
	1902	22	2,384,421	1,959,065	954	17,548	5,299	9,132	296,730	94,793
Missouri.....	1907	14	18,000,248	17,206,141	13,605	34,300	67,945	15,772	452,174	150,311
	1902	16	10,061,220	10,422,530	5,652	7,379	41,071	4,302	172,036	33,154
North and South Dakota <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	5	112,079	100,278	.....	.....	613	.....	.....	11,193
Nebraska.....	1907	8	2,737,750	2,584,425	3,435	754	9,285	4,509	84,041	51,217
	1902	4	1,148,994	1,107,494	1,044	.....	2,698	.....	35,073	2,685
Kansas.....	1907	17	1,439,813	1,268,769	3,128	19,481	1,974	2,005	136,736	7,780
	1902	11	370,481	343,197	200	.....	566	.....	23,007	3,511
South Central division.....	1907	90	24,543,631	21,089,302	33,531	168,301	19,121	9,264	2,944,208	284,004
	1902	66	11,385,301	10,489,285	10,620	41,259	10,660	6,243	740,376	80,952
Kentucky.....	1907	13	4,773,098	4,441,781	7,310	52,339	2,540	.....	160,629	111,484
	1902	12	2,032,901	2,780,487	1,407	2,500	2,168	4,162	133,337	8,840
Tennessee.....	1907	9	4,443,891	3,698,013	5,833	4,508	7,967	.....	701,083	25,887
	1902	8	1,800,835	1,759,680	68	1,239	4,836	.....	86,901	14,111
Alabama.....	1907	10	3,365,979	2,577,777	6,304	78,530	2,622	282	671,425	29,039
	1902	9	1,497,351	1,135,206	2,211	34,494	1,415	1,362	318,660	3,943
Mississippi.....	1907	8	817,760	488,084	143	18,733	400	833	308,053	1,523
	1902	5	258,654	164,597	113	.....	.....	.....	103,236	708
Louisiana.....	1907	11	4,508,104	4,284,367	5,604	.....	1,740	.....	191,728	24,675
	1902	8	2,010,244	2,835,203	4,467	.....	1,682	.....	37,753	31,000
Arkansas.....	1907	8	1,215,954	824,335	1,001	444	240	245	383,225	6,464
	1902	7	371,569	322,805	114	26	.....	.....	45,630	2,935
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup> .....	1907	8	504,106	520,455	942	12,182	674	708	16,708	3,437
Texas.....	1907	23	4,856,040	4,245,500	6,385	1,565	2,932	7,106	510,757	82,395
	1902	17	1,547,846	1,601,188	2,250	3,000	555	719	20,859	19,275
Western division.....	1907	61	38,408,030	33,460,113	113,800	1,423,168	44,845	115,500	2,892,976	447,610
	1902	67	16,860,103	15,294,355	16,680	178,957	28,068	3,773	1,111,142	227,127
Montana.....	1907	5	760,201	613,251	.....	54,575	.....	.....	77,993	14,332
	1902	5	402,023	382,452	.....	50,544	365	34	43,284	15,344
Colorado.....	1907	11	4,130,962	3,696,500	15,887	55,856	1,584	.....	344,468	10,697
	1902	7	2,227,286	2,091,824	8,106	.....	2,000	.....	111,104	14,252
Washington.....	1907	14	7,898,743	6,070,685	15,980	529,567	9,150	16,060	1,182,423	74,878
	1902	8	2,542,906	1,813,156	3,233	63,501	1,883	.....	641,800	19,333
Oregon.....	1907	8	2,731,674	2,520,900	.....	104,551	6,090	600	.....	20,843
	1902	6	1,042,805	960,231	507	17,287	2,904	163	33,522	19,281
California.....	1907	41	20,091,713	19,233,083	75,059	600,818	26,283	97,346	366,566	292,558
	1902	35	9,907,288	9,404,723	3,637	47,625	20,116	3,576	279,216	148,395
All other Western states and territories <sup>3</sup> .....	1907	12	2,284,737	1,316,604	6,883	17,801	1,138	1,503	921,526	19,282
	1902	6	587,705	572,970	1,197	.....	800	.....	2,216	10,522
Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>4</sup> .....	1907	4	745,338	611,467	3,337	13,239	60	1,500	108,081	7,594
	1902	5	515,913	485,258	301	25	.....	.....	26,454	3,875

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.<sup>2</sup> No company reported in 1902.<sup>3</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.<sup>4</sup> Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## III.

## OPERATING EXPENSES.

Differences in length of track, in character of road-bed and rolling stock, in gradient, in kind of power used, in character of territory traversed, in cost of labor, in relative importance of allied industries, and many other factors have more or less effect on the amounts expended annually by street and electric railways for the different items of operating expenses. In the case of no two roads are all these conditions the same, and comparisons between different companies or groups of companies are therefore of interest and value only because they illustrate the variations. To be of the greatest value, comparative statistics should be accompanied by a detailed description of the equipment, methods, and other conditions which affect the financial results of operation of the different companies. This is obviously impossible in a census report which must cover all companies, but the influence of these conditions should be kept in mind in considering the statistics. As the most disturbing single factor is, perhaps, the operation of commercial electric light and power plants or other industries by the railway companies, the census methods of compiling the statistics for such companies should be referred to in this connection.<sup>1</sup>

The operating cost per unit is commonly used in judging the efficiency of the operating management. By itself, however, it is not an indication of the profitableness of railway properties, as taxes and other fixed charges must be taken into account. Indeed, when the operating expenses for only a few companies are compared, the local conditions under which each company operates must be thoroughly understood, or the cost per unit will lead to erroneous conclusions. A comparison of operating expenses with earnings, reduced to units of equipment and traffic, will be found in the section on "General results of operation," page 169.

As it is impossible to present financial data for each company in the census statistics, state and other group totals for operating expenses can be used for making comparisons and deductions only in a general way. Table 117 shows the operating expenses in detail for the United States as a whole at the censuses of 1907 and 1902, together with the per cent distribution of the total and the per cent of increase in each account. A list of the principal items chargeable to each account will be found in the appendix to this report.

A new account, "Hired equipment," appears in the report for 1907 under the subhead "Operation of cars." To this account was charged the rental of cars, equipment of cars, and other equipment, the total amount so charged being \$573,829.

The standard form of accounting provides for two accounts, "damages" and "legal expenses in connection with damages," under the head of general expense, but apparently this segregation is not carried out by all companies, as many stated their inability to separate them. Accordingly the two accounts were combined in the census tables and designated as "Damages and legal expenses incident thereto."

The increase in the total operating expense from 1902 to 1907 was \$108,996,655, or 76.6 per cent, as compared with an increase of \$170,633,859, or 68.9 per cent in the operating earnings. The increase in the total deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges) for the same period was 78 per cent as compared with an increase of 71.6 per cent in gross income. While the totals for the entire country thus show a higher rate of increase in both operating expenses and fixed charges than in operating earnings and gross income, there are of course numerous exceptions to this prevailing tendency.

Of the more important items, the rate of increase in the cost of purchased power is conspicuously large, 218.8 per cent. The bulk of the amount reported under this head represents cost of current purchased from other railways and central electric stations, the remainder being for hired steam or water power. The total expense for maintenance of track and roadway also shows an unusually large gain, 132.6 per cent. In only one account, stable expenses, is an actual decrease indicated for the five years, but with the practical disappearance of the use of animal power for street railways a diminution in the amount reported under this head was to be expected.

One of the largest single items of expense is that for damages and legal expenses incident thereto, which amounted in 1907 to \$18,176,305 as compared with \$9,395,545 in 1902, an increase of \$8,780,760, or 93.5 per cent. The ratio of the cost of damages to the total expenses increased from 6.6 per cent in 1902 to 7.2 per cent in 1907. The average damage cost per fare passenger carried was one-fifth of 1 cent in 1902 as compared with nearly one-fourth of 1 cent in 1907. In other words, as the average fare received per passenger carried on all electric railways in 1902 was 4.94 cents and in 1907, 5.15 cents,<sup>2</sup> practically 4 per cent of the fare in 1902 and 4.7 per cent in 1907 was required for damages.

The cost of maintenance of ways and structures and of equipment together constituted over one-fifth of the total expense in 1907; the cost of operating power plants, a somewhat smaller proportion, 17.5 per cent; the cost of operation of cars, exactly two-fifths; the general or miscellaneous expenses, practically the same proportion as the cost of operation of cars, or 17.3 per cent; while wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric-light service constituted only 2.5 per cent of the total. For two of the expense accounts,

<sup>1</sup> See p. 116.<sup>2</sup> See Table 68.



"Operation of cars" and "General," decreased proportions of the total expenses are reported for 1907 as compared with 1902; the other four accounts show increased proportions. The remarkably uniform per-

centages of the aggregate for the several accounts for 1907 and 1902, indicate strongly the influence of the standardization of accounts and the exactness of the returns.

TABLE 117.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	1907		1902		Per cent of increase.
	Amount.	Per cent of total.	Amount.	Per cent of total.	
Number of companies.....	1939		1799		
Aggregate.....	\$251,309,252	100.0	\$142,312,597	100.0	76.6
Maintenance of ways and structures, total.....	25,075,327	10.2	12,118,296	8.5	111.9
Track and roadway.....	18,978,515	7.6	8,158,031	5.7	132.6
Electric, cable, etc., lines.....	4,777,697	1.9	2,959,182	2.1	61.5
Buildings and fixtures.....	1,919,115	0.8	1,000,483	0.7	91.8
Maintenance of equipment, total.....	31,485,810	12.5	16,070,532	11.7	88.8
Steam plant.....	2,652,364	1.1	1,353,789	1.0	95.9
Electric, cable, etc., plants.....	1,181,653	0.5	820,004	0.6	43.0
Cars.....	13,814,206	5.5	7,059,428	5.4	80.4
Electric, cable, etc., equipment of cars.....	10,753,321	4.3	5,325,125	3.7	101.9
Miscellaneous.....	880,724	0.4	608,875	0.5	32.6
Miscellaneous shop expenses.....	2,107,452	0.9	842,711	0.6	160.8
Operation of power plant, total.....	43,972,069	17.5	23,002,328	16.2	90.7
Wages.....	7,870,355	3.1	4,599,487	3.2	71.2
Fuel.....	21,058,259	8.4	12,827,322	9.0	64.2
Water.....	1,091,283	0.4	634,026	0.4	72.1
Lubricants and waste.....	676,885	0.3	500,967	0.4	34.9
Miscellaneous supplies and expenses.....	928,629	0.4	620,008	0.4	47.6
Purchased power.....	12,342,258	4.0	3,871,518	2.7	213.8
Operation of cars, total.....	100,542,108	40.0	62,454,079	43.9	61.0
Superintendence of transportation.....	3,545,418	1.4	2,598,935	1.8	30.4
Wages of conductors.....	37,814,621	15.0	24,070,921	16.9	57.1
Wages of motormen.....	37,021,885	14.7	24,662,872	17.3	50.1
Wages of other car-service employees.....	5,050,904	2.0	2,595,652	1.8	94.8
Wages of car-house employees.....	6,719,370	2.7	3,214,005	2.3	109.0
Car-service supplies.....	2,137,024	0.9	1,905,155	1.3	12.2
Miscellaneous car-service expenses.....	4,827,309	1.9	1,924,590	1.4	150.8
Hired equipment.....	573,820	0.2	(*)		
Cleaning and sanding track.....	1,888,567	0.8	730,981	0.5	153.4
Removal of snow and ice.....	957,031	0.4	750,959	0.5	27.4
General, total.....	43,464,465	17.3	25,812,009	18.1	68.4
Salaries of general officers.....	4,837,909	1.9	2,993,123	2.1	61.6
Salaries of clerks.....	3,930,579	1.6	2,237,723	1.6	75.0
Printing and stationery.....	838,562	0.3	496,381	0.3	68.9
Miscellaneous office expenses.....	935,227	0.4	666,997	0.5	40.2
Stores expenses.....	616,709	0.2	229,237	0.2	160.1
Stable expenses.....	1,022,393	0.4	1,430,000	1.0	23.5
Advertising and attractions.....	1,730,851	0.7	1,122,816	0.8	54.2
Miscellaneous general expenses.....	3,173,979	1.3	2,061,821	1.4	53.9
Damages and legal expenses incident thereto.....	18,176,305	7.2	9,395,545	6.6	93.5
Other legal expenses.....	1,325,550	0.5	1,017,854	0.7	30.2
Rent of land and buildings.....	970,424	0.4	608,344	0.4	50.5
Rent of tracks and terminals.....	2,768,786	1.1	1,471,293	1.0	88.2
Insurance.....	3,137,071	1.2	2,080,875	1.5	50.8
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included.....	6,168,873	2.5	2,188,753	1.5	181.8

\* Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
 † Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

‡ Not reported separately.  
 § Decrease.

Although the relative importance of all of the various items of expenses incident to the operation of power plants, with the exception of the cost of purchased power, either decreased or remained stationary, the increase in that item was so great that the power-plant expense as a whole formed a larger percentage of the total expenses in 1907 than in 1902.

In the census report of 1902 a table was presented showing the per cent distribution of the total operating expenses among the several accounts for 17 selected surface railways in the largest cities. Owing to changes and consolidations, comparable figures for these companies could not be obtained for 1907, but a table has been prepared and presented here, which shows the per cent distribution of operating expenses in 1907 and 1902 for 13 selected surface railways in the

largest cities, most of which were represented in the corresponding table in 1902. The 13 companies are as follows:

Boston and Northern Street Railway Company.  
 Brooklyn Rapid Transit system (8 separate operating reports in 1907).  
 Chicago City Railway Company.  
 Chicago Union Traction Company.  
 Cincinnati Traction Company.  
 Cleveland Electric Railway Company.  
 Crosstown Street Railway Company of Buffalo.  
 International Railway Company (Buffalo).  
 Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company.  
 Pittsburg Railways Company.  
 United Railroads of San Francisco.  
 United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore.  
 United Railways Company of St. Louis.



TABLE 118.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of operating expenses of 13 selected railway companies in the largest cities: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES.	
	1907	1902
Aggregate for 13 selected companies.....	100.0	100.0
Maintenance of ways and structures, total.....	10.1	7.7
Track and roadway.....	7.5	3.6
Electric, cable, etc., lines.....	1.8	3.5
Buildings and fixtures.....	0.8	0.6
Maintenance of equipment, total.....	13.5	13.4
Steam plant.....	1.1	1.1
Electric, cable, etc., plant.....	0.5	0.9
Cars.....	6.1	6.2
Electric, cable, etc., equipment of cars.....	4.4	4.0
Miscellaneous.....	0.4	0.4
Miscellaneous shop expenses.....	1.1	0.8
Operation of power plant, total.....	14.6	14.0
Power-plant wages.....	2.0	3.1
Fuel for power.....	7.1	8.2
Water for power.....	0.4	0.4
Lubricants and waste for power plant.....	0.2	0.3
Miscellaneous supplies and expenses of power plant.....	0.4	0.3
Power purchased.....	3.8	1.8
Operation of cars, total.....	44.7	40.7
Superintendence of transportation.....	1.4	1.4
Wages of conductors.....	17.8	19.4
Wages of motormen.....	17.1	18.9
Wages of other car-service employees.....	2.0	1.7
Wages of car-house employees.....	2.5	2.2
Car-service supplies.....	0.7	0.8
Miscellaneous car-service expenses.....	1.7	1.1
Hired equipment.....	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
Cleaning and sanding track.....	1.0	0.9
Removal of snow and ice.....	0.3	0.6
General, total.....	17.2	18.1
Salaries of general officers.....	1.1	1.2
Salaries of clerks.....	1.2	1.4
Printing and stationery.....	0.3	0.5
Miscellaneous office expenses.....	0.3	0.5
Stores expenses.....	0.3	0.2
Stable expenses.....	0.2	0.4
Advertising and attractions.....	0.1	0.6
Miscellaneous general expenses.....	1.2	1.0
Damages and legal expenses incident thereto.....	0.4	0.1
Other legal expenses.....	0.7	0.8
Rent of land and buildings.....	0.3	0.1
Rent of track and terminals.....	0.6	0.6
Insurance.....	1.4	1.6

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately.

The total operating expenses of these 13 selected companies represented 26 per cent of the total reported for all companies in the United States in 1907 as compared with 30.8 per cent in 1902. In spite of this decrease in relative importance, the total expenses of these companies increased from \$43,850,067 in 1902 to \$65,447,071 in 1907, a total increase of \$21,597,004, or 49.3 per cent.

While the totals upon which the percentages were based are fairly representative of operating conditions in large urban centers, there are not so many striking differences when compared with the distribution for all companies as might be expected. Thus, as in the case of the country as a whole, each of the main accounts of operating expenses, except those included under the headings "Operation of cars" and "General" showed an increased proportion of the total in 1907 as compared with 1902. It will be noted, however, that proportionately the expenses for maintenance of ways and structures of the 13

selected companies were slightly less at both censuses than for all companies, and the expenses for operation of power plant considerably less, while expenses of maintenance of equipment and of operation of cars were relatively greater for the selected companies. In the larger cities the track, buildings, and appurtenances are usually of so substantial a character that the maintenance cost may be comparatively low, and the power plants are equipped with large units and the best labor-saving devices, productive of the highest economies of operation. On the other hand, the maintenance of equipment and the cost of car operation are proportionately greater in centers of heavy traffic. None of the 13 selected companies, however, was engaged in the regular light and power business.

*Operating expenses of companies, classified according to income from railway operations.*—Table 119 shows, for both censuses, the totals for the six divisions of operating expenses of companies, classified according to income from railway operations, with the percentages of increase, and Table 120 shows the per cent distribution of the totals.

As with the rates of increase in operating earnings, the rates of increase in total operating expenses and in each of the five main divisions are much greater for the larger companies, those belonging to Classes A and B, than for the other classes, or for all companies combined. Excluding from consideration the amounts reported as expended for wages and other expenses incident to electric-light service, which are more or less unstable quantities, the highest rate of gain, 134.3 per cent, appears for the expenses of maintenance of ways and structures for Class A, while the least change during the five years interval between the censuses is shown in the amount reported as expended for operation of cars for the small companies, Class E.

The largest companies, Class A, reported a larger proportion of the total operating expenses in 1907 than in 1902. The line below which the different classes of companies reported a smaller proportion of the totals for the several expense accounts in 1907 than in 1902 falls between Classes B and C; companies with an income of less than \$500,000 showing a more or less general falling off in their proportions of the totals in 1907.

The percentages in Table 120 show some variations in the relative importance of the different classes of expenses for the different classes of companies. The per cent ratio of the cost of maintaining ways and structures to total operating expenses was highest for companies of Class B; the ratio for cost of maintenance of equipment was highest in Class A; for cost of operation of power plant, in Class E; for cost of car operation, in Class A; for general expenses, in companies of Class C; and for the expenses incident to electric-light service, in Class D. In 1902 the highest

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percentages for cost of maintenance of equipment, operation of power plant, and operation of cars, were shown for the same classes as in 1907; but the cost of maintenance of ways and structures in 1902 was most

important relatively for the next lower class, C; general expenses, for the next lower class, D; and the expenses incident to electric-light service, for the next lower class, E.

TABLE 119.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					Per cent of total.				
			\$1,000,000 and over.	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000.	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000.	Less than \$100,000.	A	B	C	D	E
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)					
Number of companies.....	1907	1 030	76	50	80	182	551	8.1	5.3	8.5	19.4	58.7
	1902	790	44	28	53	112	562	5.5	3.5	6.6	14.0	70.3
Per cent of increase.....		17.5	72.7	78.6	50.9	62.5	2.0					
Operating expenses, total.....	1907	\$251,806,252	\$173,358,511	\$22,278,981	\$19,065,080	\$20,341,738	\$16,264,042	69.0	8.9	7.6	8.1	6.5
	1902	\$142,812,597	\$91,842,001	\$11,846,332	\$11,500,292	\$12,506,780	\$14,009,180	64.5	8.3	8.1	8.8	10.3
Per cent of increase.....		76.6	88.8	88.0	65.7	62.6	11.3					
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	1907	\$25,075,327	\$17,531,305	\$2,446,614	\$2,046,781	\$2,068,864	\$1,587,073	68.3	9.5	8.0	8.0	6.2
	1902	\$12,118,296	\$7,480,909	\$1,117,591	\$1,133,903	\$1,067,932	\$1,317,961	61.7	9.2	9.4	8.8	10.9
Per cent of increase.....		111.0	134.3	118.8	80.5	93.3	20.5					
Maintenance of equipment.....	1907	\$31,435,810	\$22,830,833	\$2,650,703	\$2,146,768	\$2,226,310	\$1,025,196	72.5	8.4	6.8	7.1	5.2
	1902	\$10,676,532	\$11,205,241	\$1,209,905	\$1,388,550	\$1,287,108	\$1,465,662	67.0	7.6	8.3	7.7	8.8
Per cent of increase.....		88.8	102.7	109.2	54.6	73.0	10.9					
Operation of power plant.....	1907	\$43,072,090	\$27,191,722	\$4,287,254	\$3,787,324	\$4,437,204	\$4,369,075	61.8	9.6	8.5	10.1	9.9
	1902	\$23,002,328	\$13,093,641	\$1,874,596	\$1,878,528	\$2,488,915	\$3,720,878	56.8	8.1	8.1	10.8	16.2
Per cent of increase.....		90.7	107.7	126.0	98.9	78.3	17.2					
Operation of cars.....	1907	\$100,542,108	\$73,210,176	\$8,052,800	\$6,775,982	\$6,771,627	\$5,125,523	72.8	8.6	6.7	6.7	5.1
	1902	\$62,454,670	\$42,064,070	\$5,199,063	\$4,720,221	\$4,867,128	\$4,005,107	68.3	8.3	7.6	7.8	8.0
Per cent of increase.....		61.0	71.6	66.4	43.3	39.1	2.6					
General.....	1907	\$43,404,465	\$20,803,732	\$3,833,807	\$3,510,022	\$3,451,895	\$2,804,409	68.6	8.8	8.1	7.9	6.6
	1902	\$25,812,000	\$16,740,420	\$2,154,244	\$2,030,399	\$2,337,347	\$2,549,599	64.9	8.3	7.9	9.1	9.9
Per cent of increase.....		68.4	78.0	78.0	72.9	47.7	12.3					
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service not elsewhere included.	1907	\$6,168,873	\$2,784,053	\$452,808	\$847,003	\$1,300,748	\$603,066	45.1	7.3	13.7	22.5	11.2
	1902	\$2,188,753	\$507,720	\$232,003	\$345,685	\$468,356	\$564,089	27.3	10.6	15.8	20.9	25.3
Per cent of increase.....		181.8	305.9	94.4	145.2	203.4	25.1					

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Decrease.

TABLE 120.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of operating expenses of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	Census.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES.					
		Total.	A	B	C	D	E
Operating expenses.....	1907	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	1902	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	1907	10.2	10.1	11.0	10.7	10.1	9.8
	1902	8.5	8.1	9.4	9.9	8.5	9.0
Maintenance of equipment.....	1907	12.5	13.2	11.9	11.3	10.9	10.0
	1902	11.7	12.3	10.7	12.1	10.3	10.0
Operation of power plant.....	1907	17.5	15.7	10.0	19.6	21.8	26.9
	1902	16.2	14.3	15.8	16.3	19.9	25.5
Operation of cars.....	1907	40.0	42.2	38.8	35.5	33.3	31.5
	1902	43.9	40.5	43.0	41.1	38.9	34.2
General.....	1907	17.3	17.2	17.2	18.4	17.0	17.6
	1902	18.1	18.2	18.2	17.4	18.7	17.6
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service not elsewhere included.....	1907	2.5	1.6	2.0	4.4	6.8	4.3
	1902	1.5	0.7	2.0	3.0	3.7	3.8

For the two important items of expense included under the heads "Operation of power plant" and "Operation of cars," and for these two only, the percentages at both censuses were uniformly progressive

from class to class. For the former, the gradation is from a low proportion of the total, 15.7 per cent for the companies belonging to Class A, to a high proportion of the total, 26.9 per cent for Class E; while the expense of operation of cars increases progressively in relative importance from Class E, where it represented only 31.5 per cent of the total, to Class A, for which it constituted 42.2 per cent. That is to say, in general, as the size of the company increases, the proportionate cost of power-plant operation decreases, and the proportionate cost of operation of cars increases. This is a further confirmation of the statement made in connection with similar statistics for the 13 selected companies in the largest cities, namely, that the larger cities and companies have attained greater economies in power costs and that the cost of car operation is proportionately higher for the larger companies.

*Operating expenses of companies with and without commercial lighting and of part-time companies.*—A grouping of the operating expenses of companies "without commercial lighting," "with commercial lighting," and "part-time," respectively, is given in Table 121.

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**TABLE 121.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, OF COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.**

ACCOUNT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.									
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.		Per cent of increase.			
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	Total	With-out light-ing.	With light-ing.	Part-time.
Number of companies.....	* 939	* 709	709	630	* 175	112	55	57	17.5	12.5	56.3	* 3.5
Operating expenses, total.....	\$251,309,252	\$142,812,597	\$208,847,845	\$128,038,482	\$41,566,582	\$12,834,941	\$894,825	\$1,439,174	76.6	63.1	223.9	* 37.8
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	25,075,327	12,118,296	21,727,402	10,975,702	3,882,880	1,035,566	64,985	107,028	111.9	98.0	275.0	* 39.3
Maintenance of equipment.....	31,485,810	10,676,832	27,254,606	15,417,574	4,157,005	1,115,583	73,599	143,375	88.8	76.8	272.7	* 48.7
Operation of power plant.....	43,972,669	23,062,328	35,983,397	20,248,515	7,708,884	2,487,822	280,388	325,991	90.7	77.7	209.9	* 14.0
Operation of cars.....	100,542,108	62,454,679	87,135,067	57,863,756	18,108,270	4,000,636	298,765	534,287	81.0	50.6	222.3	* 44.1
General.....	43,464,465	25,812,009	30,634,770	23,485,153	6,063,922	2,018,893	175,767	307,963	68.4	56.0	229.6	* 42.9
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service not elsewhere included.....	6,168,873	2,188,753	112,537	57,782	0,055,015	2,110,441	1,321	20,630	181.8	94.8	186.9	* 93.6

<sup>1</sup> Includes all toll charges.

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.  
<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of 2 part-time companies.  
<sup>5</sup> Decrease.

The large percentages of increase shown for the operating expenses of companies that had electric-light departments confirm the statistics given in other tables in showing the rapid development of this branch of the electric-railway industry. In 1902 the operating expenses of companies without lighting plants were nearly nine times as great as those of the other companies, but in 1907 they were only about five times as great.

The rate of increase for each of the main accounts of operating expenses is about three to four times as great for companies with lighting plants as for those without, but as companies with lighting plants contributed considerably less than one-fifth of the totals for all companies, the rate of increase for companies without commercial lighting is not very much less than that for the United States as a whole. The uniform decrease in the amounts reported for the part-time companies is in keeping with the decrease reported in the operating earnings of such companies.

The percentage ratios of the operating earnings and operating expenses of each of the three groups of com-

panies to the respective totals for all companies at the two censuses are shown in the following statement:

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	PER CENT DISTRIBUTION OF—			
	Operating earnings.		Operating expenses.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Without commercial lighting.....	88.2	90.1	83.1	90.0
With commercial lighting.....	10.5	8.9	16.5	9.0
Part-time companies.....	0.3	1.0	0.4	1.0

The close correspondence in the proportion of operating earnings and of operating expenses, respectively, reported by the different groups of companies at the two censuses is striking.

A clearer understanding of the relative importance of the different kinds of operating expenses for the different groups of companies is afforded by Table 122, which distributes the expenses by percentage, instead of by absolute amounts.

**TABLE 122.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION, BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING EXPENSES OF COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.**

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES.							
	Total, all companies.		Without commercial lighting.		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Operating expenses.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	10.2	8.5	10.4	8.6	9.3	8.1	7.3	7.4
Maintenance of equipment.....	12.5	11.7	13.0	12.0	10.0	8.7	8.2	10.0
Operation of power plant.....	17.5	16.2	17.2	15.8	18.5	19.4	31.3	22.7
Operation of cars.....	40.0	43.9	41.7	45.2	31.5	31.7	33.4	37.1
General.....	17.3	18.1	17.5	18.3	16.0	15.7	19.6	21.4
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included..	2.5	1.5	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	14.6	16.4	0.1	1.4

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

The cost of generating power is, relatively, a somewhat more important item of expense for companies that sell a large part of their output of current for commercial light and power purposes than for companies engaged primarily in the operation of railways. The proportion of operating expenses reported under this head by companies with commercial lighting was not, however, quite so high in 1907 (18.5 per cent) as in 1902, when it approached one-fifth of the total expenses. On the other hand, the expense of car operation is much greater, relatively, for companies without commercial lighting than for those with commercial lighting, the percentage of the total operating expenses assignable to this account ranging 10.2 and 13.5 per cent higher for the former class of companies

in 1907 and 1902, respectively, than for the companies with commercial lighting.

The decrease shown for companies with commercial lighting in the relative importance of wages and other expenses incident to electric-light service, is without significance, as there was a lack of uniformity among the companies reporting to the Census Bureau in regard to the distribution of their expenses between the railway and the light departments.

*Operating expenses of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service.*—Some interest attaches to a presentation of the operating expenses and their percentage distribution for companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service.

TABLE 123.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected inter-urban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	939	6	933	50	100	789
Operating expenses, total.....	\$251,300,252	\$15,129,025	\$236,180,227	\$10,900,292	\$1,135,442	\$233,273,518
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	25,675,327	1,525,863	24,140,464	1,888,050	124,097	23,662,271
Maintenance of equipment.....	31,485,810	2,274,437	29,211,373	1,047,243	110,319	29,422,248
Operation of power plant.....	43,972,069	3,310,230	40,662,433	3,834,850	298,845	39,830,474
Operation of cars.....	100,542,108	6,818,638	94,723,470	5,821,824	431,017	94,269,267
General.....	43,464,465	2,199,851	41,264,614	3,053,248	165,064	40,245,553
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included.....	6,168,873	.....	6,168,873	354,168	.....	5,814,705

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.  
<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.  
<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

TABLE 124.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of operating expenses of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF OPERATING EXPENSES.					
	Total, all companies.	Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways.	Electric surface railways.	Selected inter-urban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Operating expenses.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Maintenance of ways and structures.....	10.2	10.1	10.2	11.2	10.9	10.1
Maintenance of equipment.....	12.5	15.0	12.4	11.5	10.2	12.0
Operation of power plant.....	17.5	21.9	17.2	22.7	28.3	17.1
Operation of cars.....	40.0	33.5	40.1	34.4	38.0	40.4
General.....	17.3	14.5	17.5	18.1	14.6	17.3
Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included.....	2.5	.....	2.6	2.1	.....	2.5

The total operating expenses are distributed among the several classes of companies in about the same proportion as the operating earnings, and the statistics on this point do not call for special comment.

Table 124 shows that the relative importance of each expense account is practically the same for each group of companies as for all companies combined, there being variations in this respect in only one or two cases.

The operating conditions of elevated and subway railways, interurban lines, and small urban roads are very dissimilar, and the per cent distribution of the operating expenses by accounts indicates several points of difference. The cost of keeping the car equipment in operating condition was proportionately greater for the elevated railways and subways than for the selected interurban lines, as was also the cost of operating cars. The costs of operation of the power plant and of the maintenance of ways and structures were proportionately greater for the selected inter-

urban lines than for the elevated and subway systems. The cost of producing power was much higher in proportion for the selected small urban roads than for either the elevated and subway or the selected inter-urban lines.

*Operating expenses, by states.*—A detailed statement

of the operating expenses reported by the street and electric railways of the different states and territories and geographic divisions for 1907 and 1902, is presented in Table 125, which shows the total amounts reported for each of the 39 accounts included in the standard classification of operating expense accounts.

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TABLE 125.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, BY

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Aggregate.	MAINTENANCE.							
				Ways and structures.				Equipment.			
				Total.	Track and roadway.	Electric, cable, etc., lines.	Buildings and fixtures.	Total.	Steam plant.	Electric, cable, etc., plant.	Cars.
United States.....	1907	1 939	\$251,309,252	\$25,076,327	\$18,978,515	\$4,777,097	\$1,919,115	\$31,485,810	\$2,652,304	\$1,181,653	\$13,814,290
	1902	* 799	142,812,597	12,118,290	8,158,081	2,959,182	1,000,483	10,070,532	1,353,780	820,004	7,650,428
North Atlantic division.....	1907	385	110,809,693	11,974,123	8,716,281	2,241,406	1,016,486	15,170,680	1,337,100	495,759	6,320,087
	1902	350	70,504,089	6,550,410	4,446,018	1,488,104	656,294	9,012,974	698,439	220,815	4,135,526
Maine.....	1907	17	1,480,544	142,204	96,067	30,100	10,037	170,594	17,869	13,798	72,169
	1902	19	1,127,000	144,800	96,232	21,287	27,341	157,745	6,203	7,203	77,336
New Hampshire.....	1907	10	895,802	100,845	86,277	14,592	0,970	91,307	099	285	43,372
	1902	7	478,849	86,199	24,990	7,795	2,411	48,540	842	188	21,380
Vermont.....	1907	10	313,845	46,431	38,404	4,285	3,742	37,510	1,869	1,211	12,418
	1902	9	201,179	26,183	20,100	3,254	2,820	20,705	304	800	7,916
Massachusetts.....	1907	62	21,179,042	2,095,028	1,458,005	455,307	186,116	2,685,020	349,603	59,075	1,082,519
	1902	74	10,403,007	1,618,832	991,072	332,098	139,702	1,896,793	170,050	43,050	964,128
Rhode Island.....	1907	5	2,744,106	333,500	212,380	60,911	60,290	372,270	19,641	5,184	150,388
	1902	7	1,892,477	282,185	220,484	80,907	10,794	214,981	27,501	11,820	93,842
Connecticut.....	1907	8	4,857,763	730,000	551,330	145,653	42,107	520,097	31,946	16,900	253,082
	1902	21	2,773,098	328,495	239,290	72,957	16,248	289,705	10,798	5,033	125,372
New York.....	1907	101	50,028,855	4,799,075	3,487,140	824,297	537,632	7,008,741	588,100	265,835	2,761,125
	1902	96	33,077,724	2,404,843	1,401,801	692,247	350,735	3,771,757	179,000	75,090	1,681,432
New Jersey.....	1907	24	7,005,138	482,188	327,604	113,784	40,500	1,220,375	87,470	33,238	548,441
	1902	25	4,324,112	270,285	184,007	69,588	22,690	570,440	31,694	22,625	230,151
Pennsylvania.....	1907	122	20,003,748	5,220,072	2,514,118	586,477	120,077	2,983,097	230,903	99,633	1,402,573
	1902	98	15,024,813	1,553,534	1,200,082	293,908	83,484	2,037,248	205,447	58,374	927,909
South Atlantic division.....	1907	100	10,280,804	1,487,530	1,000,155	319,450	77,010	1,631,473	104,580	67,505	703,309
	1902	75	8,186,047	408,082	293,010	132,070	42,384	840,231	57,255	30,401	370,031
Delaware.....	1907	4	516,253	42,468	31,517	9,681	1,270	61,571	7,804	5,745	22,594
	1902	3	300,590	11,657	7,030	4,317	304	35,080	2,196	3,175	9,994
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907	19	5,943,803	458,047	348,814	88,801	20,432	712,701	32,579	23,709	344,809

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.



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MAINTENANCE—continued.			TRANSPORTATION.										
Equipment—Continued.			Operation of power plant.							Operation of cars.			
Electric, cable, etc., equipment of cars.	Miscellaneous.	Miscellaneous shop expenses.	Total.	Wages.	Fuel.	Water.	Lubricants and waste.	Miscellaneous supplies and expenses.	Power purchased.	Total.	Superintendence of transportation.	Wages of conductors.	
\$10,753,321 5,325,125	\$886,724 608,875	\$2,107,452 842,711	\$43,972,669 23,062,328	\$7,870,355 4,500,487	\$21,058,259 12,827,322	\$1,001,283 834,026	\$875,885 500,907	\$928,620 620,008	\$12,342,258 3,871,518	\$100,542,108 62,454,679	\$3,546,418 2,598,935	\$37,814,621 24,070,921	1 2
5,430,310 3,022,680	440,058 483,351	1,141,309 446,063	19,757,037 11,762,002	3,022,301 2,040,511	9,735,743 6,460,338	634,373 421,054	301,037 220,148	475,070 368,421	4,988,513 2,238,530	48,482,356 34,577,483	1,709,718 1,793,320	17,860,510 12,900,714	3 4
58,797 50,420	4,431 1,900	9,530 8,554	307,070 200,531	60,489 52,744	180,657 84,798	45,530 27,501	4,164 4,347	6,408 0,278	47,768 24,803	573,993 377,508	17,947 18,069	188,490 141,941	5 6
37,735 18,572	1,980 1,308	7,206 0,250	213,171 134,413	14,280 21,144	22,028 38,348	1,003 1,349	737 1,611	3,884 1,584	171,739 70,377	277,558 162,911	16,252 7,549	101,295 67,679	7 8
15,273 9,312	4,540 1,570	2,109 728	67,087 41,440	10,903 3,989	10,880 10,005	5,544	635 711	5,792 219	33,324 26,525	105,069 90,041	9,961 5,210	35,765 33,083	9 10
1,061,414 672,204	68,281 28,057	73,534 17,098	3,680,080 2,573,845	580,439 409,805	2,108,061 1,522,155	114,550 63,347	70,128 47,079	97,272 43,435	620,230 427,064	9,033,900 7,444,107	322,901 640,791	3,113,423 2,090,947	11 12
155,902 58,220	11,348 4,655	20,813 18,943	461,232 290,212	58,934 48,397	274,272 170,237	18,099 15,203	7,520 4,165	13,484 0,021	78,023 52,189	1,148,931 792,700	18,548 31,513	426,032 304,001	13 14
177,500 114,750	10,000 5,754	30,000 21,152	763,908 438,707	132,969 102,540	304,054 200,027	12,038 8,000	15,617 9,855	6,226 8,211	232,494 50,065	1,707,455 1,114,410	71,002 30,014	047,042 442,579	15 16
2,520,240 1,147,418	245,012 381,005	681,709 306,612	8,556,144 6,266,237	1,094,203 650,583	3,946,587 3,012,882	366,545 259,145	107,342 85,333	217,902 203,583	2,223,440 985,711	21,289,206 15,420,303	844,654 721,152	7,634,066 5,528,938	17 18
355,160 238,141	34,823 19,403	170,237 28,406	1,635,249 753,759	287,097 112,188	720,450 301,284	31,755 17,312	20,357 14,309	49,511 17,218	519,479 291,448	3,107,157 1,907,598	153,335 50,302	1,172,483 745,342	19 20
1,052,289 707,028	58,437 39,570	130,802 38,200	4,074,300 2,056,849	767,322 579,052	2,050,145 1,000,002	38,400 29,197	74,537 60,838	75,871 16,872	1,002,016 310,288	11,239,027 7,267,220	348,058 281,830	4,546,408 3,071,514	21 22
430,310 331,037	90,521 16,569	103,188 37,908	3,059,854 1,540,103	572,242 312,096	1,010,051 907,092	45,284 33,001	52,059 30,093	94,283 17,014	676,035 239,307	5,773,400 3,206,794	218,180 110,322	2,173,513 1,277,248	23 24
11,534 13,910	8,522 1,319	5,312 4,480	130,122 84,804	25,385 15,384	94,807 61,000	1,004 1,527	4,034 3,297	2,495 810	1,797 2,686	197,174 134,871	7,289 1,080	87,069 60,080	25 26
105,904 204,887	51,319 1,405	64,201 18,851	1,155,016 744,439	220,007 130,204	603,996 411,800	24,871 12,052	16,505 10,037	59,857 6,728	133,720 174,018	2,590,623 1,756,935	92,591 47,395	1,002,073 726,858	27 28
65,498 32,071	3,077 1,250	12,399 1,087	604,360 243,083	75,800 49,800	181,082 144,727	9,780 6,721	10,990 7,180	7,134 3,473	310,472 31,176	1,003,332 319,004	39,451 17,734	340,959 114,522	29 30
35,835 15,783	4,185 2,270	4,004 1,478	208,751 97,029	78,286 36,055	147,090 47,270	4,430 2,572	8,077 3,055	12,102 1,439	48,700 6,032	544,708 278,868	11,426 0,582	212,580 116,890	31 32
10,682 7,939	3,455 701	1,225 500	170,065 78,906	33,328 16,950	118,850 48,399	3,217 1,588	4,406 2,964	1,557 700	9,307 8,386	173,891 79,180	10,971 4,288	67,497 20,088	33 34
20,732 7,351	21,002 6,040	848 433	185,309 55,636	35,901 7,610	113,634 32,019	403 280	2,900 1,027	6,108 420	26,453 14,262	214,442 135,242	16,403 10,906	66,866 37,931	35 36
58,603 40,386	3,528 2,805	11,112 9,877	371,724 176,835	64,042 41,571	177,339 113,619	400 8,086	2,420 7,628	907 3,784	126,547 2,147	783,970 400,180	22,325 9,451	207,288 158,480	37 38
31,522 7,804	1,373 200	3,997 602	143,817 65,281	33,337 14,708	92,247 47,052	1,119 175	3,012 1,505	4,123 1,151	9,970	265,200 102,453	17,064 0,286	98,586 30,399	39 40
3,018,991 1,454,388	244,332 124,460	648,044 206,277	14,577,556 7,079,129	2,678,029 1,655,501	7,301,521 4,160,935	344,438 148,512	222,292 106,071	220,705 168,932	3,801,511 779,058	31,028,537 17,556,851	974,553 443,876	11,879,535 7,034,268	41 42
777,930 294,088	71,255 19,491	133,808 68,200	3,411,273 1,616,321	804,329 413,639	1,098,715 963,623	44,076 33,839	63,028 40,376	85,270 31,403	414,949 127,381	7,004,207 4,211,137	207,041 113,153	2,692,922 1,003,807	43 44
273,012 115,675	14,544 2,234	50,057 24,482	1,291,281 363,870	308,212 100,523	772,771 223,900	14,188 3,312	24,932 12,100	25,423 7,441	145,755 10,603	2,081,451 847,307	75,555 27,140	713,028 332,116	45 46
870,002 388,439	69,861 50,430	177,240 103,005	4,744,442 2,353,311	606,735 470,336	1,876,778 1,306,304	66,102 49,239	48,006 37,809	49,505 80,584	2,007,256 402,970	10,502,007 5,825,552	202,484 89,704	4,247,358 2,444,020	47 48
289,530 168,807	38,231 13,027	74,334 21,901	1,229,521 600,257	217,039 175,669	625,007 393,744	1,136 1,527	10,233 20,472	14,188 14,073	355,918 54,772	2,737,671 1,576,731	88,219 50,533	941,881 502,063	49 50
107,539 40,120	5,154 8,394	14,294 2,610	520,296 300,939	78,710 72,092	381,353 201,830	9,465 2,527	8,056 7,200	11,562 14,884	39,550 32,316	1,171,969 716,787	51,295 34,856	436,703 206,208	51 52
103,531 125,793	7,188 1,850	41,477 2,401	508,449 263,689	93,176 48,538	319,056 69,792	152,234 2,023	6,107 2,541	7,771 7,005	20,105 133,790	1,507,475 784,491	95,701 21,488	575,301 299,127	53 54
69,385 47,020	10,972 8,581	20,707 13,361	601,440 293,226	116,219 74,084	270,190 187,345	4,655 4,432	11,585 8,302	9,184 5,436	189,607 13,567	1,025,080 513,727	32,654 13,192	359,648 177,629	55 56
408,655 240,060	23,730 10,763	116,982 58,695	1,759,902 970,997	204,982 242,381	856,002 643,115	40,367 47,332	34,467 20,959	10,335 7,560	508,689 3,650	3,884,328 2,713,951	126,220 80,849	1,587,080 1,109,345	57 58
1,090	273	200	16,788	1,800	3,060	5	120	25	11,688	33,360	331	12,123	59
35,299 24,104	2,100 115	10,585	206,558 122,058	31,985 29,539	138,391 80,206	3,069 3,690	5,359 2,533	2,539	25,215	614,512 264,086	22,526 1,875	246,497 110,273	60 61
22,418 3,022	1,024 585	9,570 902	188,606 44,452	34,752 16,790	60,138 24,986	2,241 591	3,739 1,569	4,057 516	82,779	286,468 102,482	11,921 5,080	101,394 27,020	62 63

\* No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 125.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, BY STATES

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Aggregate.	MAINTENANCE.							
				Ways and structures.				Equipment.			
				Total.	Track and roadway.	Electric, cable, etc., lines.	Buildings and fixtures.	Total.	Steam plant.	Electric, cable, etc., plant.	Cars.
64 South Central division.....	1907	90	\$14,887,271	\$1,400,786	\$1,075,224	\$250,387	\$78,175	\$1,564,535	\$203,594	\$59,904	\$714,448
65	1902	99	6,079,870	712,830	511,892	158,204	42,740	774,917	74,707	39,153	394,911
66 Kentucky.....	1907	13	2,825,497	391,680	328,154	45,655	17,871	266,893	40,583	5,730	118,063
67	1902	12	1,560,270	235,109	170,487	47,904	10,778	145,385	15,916	3,713	84,047
68 Tennessee.....	1907	9	2,494,252	119,232	79,155	32,007	8,010	241,220	19,880	5,319	110,578
69	1902	8	1,079,287	96,794	71,990	15,984	8,754	120,352	2,020	2,561	71,410
70 Alabama.....	1907	10	2,270,100	218,843	168,097	47,263	13,483	227,241	37,905	12,013	103,042
71	1902	9	878,291	71,473	57,864	11,218	2,391	114,402	4,828	5,845	60,243
72 Mississippi.....	1907	8	534,542	64,871	29,284	28,233	7,354	57,040	7,205	4,918	37,157
73	1902	5	102,056	16,407	10,763	5,175	529	18,857	2,013	1,358	7,525
74 Louisiana.....	1907	11	2,682,481	254,894	195,988	48,724	10,182	380,784	50,242	11,113	159,812
75	1902	8	1,758,989	102,924	100,511	55,444	6,999	244,121	40,409	22,705	101,327
76 Arkansas.....	1907	8	683,262	34,070	28,116	4,034	1,926	62,403	3,051	574	33,642
77	1902	7	219,493	18,959	16,214	1,589	1,156	19,405	3,432	249	9,873
78 Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	8	357,917	37,241	30,395	6,201	645	35,756	3,144	2,979	13,396
79 Texas.....	1907	23	3,093,220	288,940	226,035	44,210	18,704	293,102	41,524	17,252	132,248
80	1902	17	993,900	111,110	84,057	20,890	6,193	110,395	5,489	2,692	59,880
81 Western division.....	1907	91	25,456,622	3,179,058	2,333,530	620,030	215,598	3,898,307	149,905	183,623	1,873,894
82	1902	67	9,072,123	1,068,523	886,823	330,680	51,011	1,042,904	88,402	115,888	481,352
83 Montana.....	1907	5	551,933	49,904	41,119	7,058	887	55,058	.....	.....	35,882
84	1902	5	365,073	39,107	33,873	2,500	2,725	28,317	328	212	14,522
85 Colorado.....	1907	11	2,000,421	173,545	126,304	34,297	13,974	258,731	12,175	5,605	121,052
86	1902	7	1,300,606	187,102	110,560	60,747	6,885	128,618	14,412	8,442	59,333
87 Washington.....	1907	14	5,140,501	459,447	350,298	77,456	22,693	546,373	23,347	33,797	262,197
88	1902	8	1,570,018	186,485	143,561	29,097	13,827	135,707	10,979	12,639	59,272
89 Oregon.....	1907	8	1,638,271	170,847	122,144	38,088	9,715	201,020	.....	.....	95,474
90	1902	6	953,912	69,923	51,680	12,007	6,236	86,480	5,218	7,177	42,225
91 California.....	1907	41	14,578,397	2,061,321	1,541,767	363,533	156,021	2,047,681	110,598	135,413	1,271,890
92	1902	35	5,402,245	530,602	292,041	219,005	19,556	921,653	49,956	80,183	291,899
93 All other Western states and territories. <sup>2</sup>	1907	12	1,448,129	269,934	146,898	107,728	12,308	188,604	3,785	8,778	87,399
94	1902	6	374,269	55,214	46,108	7,324	1,782	42,063	1,569	1,235	14,191
95 Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>3</sup> .....	1907	4	418,432	18,850	11,028	6,779	1,043	34,513	4,738	634	15,204
96	1902	6	330,350	20,799	15,597	2,120	3,076	27,677	1,556	330	13,434

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902.<sup>2</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.

# FINANCIAL OPERATIONS.

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AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

MAINTENANCE—Continued.			TRANSPORTATION.									
Equipment—continued.			Operation of power plant.							Operation of cars.		
Electric, cable, etc., equipment of cars.	Miscellaneous.	Miscellaneous shop expenses.	Total.	Wages.	Fuel.	Water.	Lubricants and waste.	Miscellaneous supplies and expenses.	Power purchased.	Total.	Superintendence of transportation.	Wages of conductors.
\$474,701 217,852	\$23,504 11,796	\$88,384 36,498	\$2,005,548 1,052,262	\$471,943 226,803	\$1,598,001 543,043	\$37,072 18,025	\$65,851 42,700	\$60,545 45,340	\$461,536 175,661	\$5,274,309 2,700,271	\$236,677 135,054	\$2,029,925 881,385
90,921 32,570	913 1,492	10,077 7,047	378,188 184,764	93,432 46,165	208,411 100,244	13,091 4,902	13,667 6,700	9,123 13,547	40,464 13,146	1,101,609 653,671	65,284 58,187	427,095 99,084
75,881 38,133	3,381 1,220	20,187 10,393	434,437 103,842	73,377 21,750	264,873 72,189	2,495 3,315	12,533 4,081	8,093 1,878	73,066 60,620	886,111 409,102	44,190 25,700	333,748 164,145
52,151 36,762	5,067 3,436	16,400 3,288	403,489 114,063	64,613 23,074	250,099 67,084	8,510 4,140	6,132 3,233	13,803 1,479	60,332 14,453	642,840 300,598	37,877 20,273	231,060 105,877
7,415 3,111	31 661	314 189	180,000 61,945	44,650 14,073	120,940 39,643	4,729 2,441	4,830 2,669	2,751 1,511	..... 1,618	131,258 40,765	7,233 1,395	45,216 15,229
140,399 66,198	5,355 3,414	13,893 10,008	480,384 295,083	71,173 70,026	347,020 172,020	960 511	17,146 20,607	15,212 23,313	34,273 2,000	1,130,513 831,936	32,260 16,610	472,867 346,139
18,597 5,290	1,415 105	5,124 456	113,805 55,120	26,820 15,347	61,695 20,814	2,169 2,183	1,958 2,075	4,093 162	17,070 8,548	214,656 87,830	13,907 2,551	70,715 21,905
13,957	700	1,604	87,434	6,771	15,731	158	662	623	63,489	141,607	3,123	54,996
75,377 35,788	5,070 1,459	20,815 5,117	604,905 177,436	91,101 30,359	320,232 63,843	4,960 1,133	8,023 3,375	6,847 3,450	172,842 75,276	1,025,685 376,369	32,803 16,398	391,228 129,006
1,393,009 299,168	82,309 32,669	215,027 25,305	3,881,774 1,622,832	531,840 354,586	803,343 755,914	30,116 12,834	33,746 26,265	68,066 34,271	2,414,663 438,962	9,983,446 4,413,280	316,290 116,363	3,865,133 1,881,306
12,723 11,349	112 710	6,341 1,190	58,182 58,983	194 12,063	10,282	1,363	797	22 1,098	57,966 24,390	226,451 140,188	1,085 600	97,692 57,842
93,629 39,552	1,644 1,875	22,560 5,004	354,025 240,298	93,162 73,144	198,883 136,380	3,594 3,509	8,785 3,820	5,183 1,925	44,418 21,614	877,614 531,648	25,479 16,032	364,801 224,862
168,726 37,102	11,909 6,386	46,427 3,389	505,131 274,602	98,158 48,888	130,040 141,364	6,509 3,374	4,123 3,589	6,089 9,491	349,612 67,956	1,903,992 516,418	55,379 9,980	720,646 222,103
73,046 30,400	22,268 1,413	11,132 53	169,846 108,877	637 20,080	25,022	12	20 3,430	20 1,242	169,169 49,191	816,351 293,011	10,452 9,465	337,162 120,473
972,546 157,048	42,528 21,461	114,706 15,196	2,389,993 878,710	302,472 180,522	446,031 428,453	10,042 4,388	10,757 14,162	20,284 20,451	1,572,507 224,750	5,711,190 2,762,258	199,203 73,246	2,154,162 1,181,880
70,339 23,717	3,848 824	14,455 527	314,597 61,286	37,217 3,009	27,480 5,407	971 188	1,061 477	26,868 64	220,991 51,161	447,848 170,857	24,082 7,100	190,670 68,146
11,027 9,385	1,120 1,580	1,700 1,380	78,958 55,327	14,262 10,617	59,084 37,820	2,067 1,013	1,816 1,097	1,729 571	..... 4,200	142,821 110,797	7,203 3,969	58,411 35,238

\* Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

TABLE 125.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, BY STATES

STATE OR TERRITORY.		Census.	TRANSPORTATION—continued.								GENERAL.	
			Operation of cars—Continued.								Total.	Salaries of general officers.
			Wages of motormen.	Wages of other car-service employees.	Wages of car-house employees.	Car-service supplies.	Miscellaneous car-service expenses.	Hired equipment.	Cleaning and sanding track.	Removal of snow and ice.		
1	United States.....	1907	\$37,021,886	\$5,050,904	\$9,719,870	\$2,137,024	\$4,827,309	\$573,829	\$1,888,507	\$957,031	\$43,404,495	\$4,837,009
2		1902	24,602,872	2,695,562	3,214,005	1,905,155	1,924,599	.....	730,981	750,959	25,812,009	2,998,123
3	North Atlantic division.....	1907	17,158,415	2,888,000	3,501,427	758,874	2,420,536	290,949	994,850	802,408	19,958,012	1,770,595
4		1902	13,828,840	1,692,108	1,581,770	1,192,106	1,064,228	.....	331,107	657,703	14,119,899	1,217,234
5	Maine.....	1907	191,250	14,422	38,007	8,004	40,517	7,890	11,088	40,070	238,779	45,542
6		1902	142,185	10,598	10,068	4,403	27,594	.....	2,290	13,400	197,793	22,998
7	New Hampshire.....	1907	101,428	10,501	10,079	7,012	8,048	1,116	8,202	7,025	203,990	21,266
8		1902	67,080	3,546	7,197	2,736	963	.....	180	5,332	96,299	9,088
9	Vermont.....	1907	35,247	5,742	9,423	2,190	5,200	1,079	586	2,810	57,742	10,208
10		1902	34,100	6,049	6,106	1,812	2,158	.....	230	2,284	22,201	6,040
11	Massachusetts.....	1907	3,234,460	659,377	585,698	119,065	478,990	92,447	194,936	231,907	3,621,030	347,000
12		1902	2,711,885	372,828	419,108	55,709	289,900	.....	95,241	107,623	2,933,327	206,635
13	Rhode Island.....	1907	438,928	50,820	103,532	15,058	47,102	2,707	25,699	13,509	430,903	32,257
14		1902	300,805	21,438	68,672	22,770	11,456	.....	10,027	10,518	300,309	25,777
15	Connecticut.....	1907	600,808	38,905	100,250	31,141	65,774	9,899	47,685	30,835	600,634	61,130
16		1902	442,425	32,096	57,614	10,067	29,180	.....	28,004	34,925	419,887	127,904
17	New York.....	1907	6,802,181	1,741,538	1,835,219	812,227	1,344,047	120,825	320,208	333,750	8,983,984	674,378
18		1902	5,790,023	1,001,819	919,044	873,777	650,540	.....	72,320	250,285	6,032,892	428,451
19	New Jersey.....	1907	1,190,110	85,750	180,040	61,857	130,088	2,103	67,924	54,382	1,448,934	135,887
20		1902	758,709	108,900	95,787	99,409	48,502	.....	12,759	10,702	804,651	107,036
21	Pennsylvania.....	1907	4,406,532	280,537	332,474	201,720	293,506	52,733	317,081	70,078	4,306,016	435,907
22		1902	3,080,050	70,240	290,284	145,273	97,860	.....	103,549	120,614	2,707,610	223,299
23	South Atlantic division.....	1907	2,233,844	244,437	290,990	107,058	208,004	111,349	79,849	20,472	2,722,024	475,260
24		1902	1,801,808	121,707	153,386	77,208	125,790	.....	31,003	8,162	1,509,373	200,040
25	Delaware.....	1907	87,144	3,847	5,076	3,082	395	.....	503	1,809	84,918	12,058
26		1902	60,080	4,084	3,973	1,450	882	.....	301	1,431	94,178	6,400
27	Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907	1,052,082	103,868	108,284	14,075	119,203	48,900	36,505	11,607	1,027,476	144,068

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.

# FINANCIAL OPERATIONS.

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AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

GENERAL—continued.													Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included.	
Salaries of clerks.	Printing and stationery.	Miscellaneous office expenses.	Stores expenses.	Stable expenses.	Advertising and attractions.	Miscellaneous general expenses.	Damages and legal expenses incident thereto.	Other legal expenses.	Rent of land and buildings.	Rent of tracks and terminals.	Insurance.			
\$3,930,579 2,237,723	\$838,562 490,381	\$935,227 660,997	\$616,769 229,237	\$1,022,893 1,430,000	\$1,730,851 1,123,816	\$3,173,979 2,061,821	\$18,170,805 9,395,545	\$1,325,550 1,017,854	\$970,424 608,344	\$2,708,786 1,471,293	\$3,137,071 2,080,875	\$6,168,873 2,188,763		1
1,074,177 1,160,672	397,226 270,590	400,756 401,926	298,748 66,871	740,406 1,128,039	623,413 524,504	1,330,488 885,490	9,381,197 5,501,569	509,234 508,242	455,843 350,403	900,902 770,408	1,475,927 1,383,915	965,546 472,345		2
27,243 20,890	5,840 4,042	7,079 4,015	1,677	8,002 4,770	31,438 45,130	21,646 32,128	37,518 27,005	5,179 880	10,631 8,662	5,500 5,506	30,194 21,005	41,898 40,228		3
8,977 4,078	2,569 4,450	5,163 0,128	863 128	1,195 3,037	29,806 16,288	10,140 8,527	80,863 14,701	3,369 419	10,310 7,665	7,158 30	13,302 18,448	2,031 2,487		4
3,151 1,967	1,108 533	2,661 446	166	1,060 2,704	5,708 8,629	9,131 3,275	12,484 487	1,368 445	088 746		3,940 1,923			5
302,762 248,465	94,030 111,705	52,303 71,325	57,866 10,882	72,433 34,457	184,255 92,324	415,602 203,306	1,408,892 859,722	124,278 55,609	100,828 130,111	88,816 306,935	281,905 474,699	54,078 42,763		6
61,490 15,356	9,475 122	10,345 4,807	10,410	6,627 532	4,700 783	43,226 12,200	215,311 165,807	6,287 21,813	9,519 32,955	380	26,777 20,597	1,234		7
68,905 44,372	11,438 7,015	18,403 10,130	11,460 2,022	7,299 9,235	93,396 47,336	34,578 28,454	176,951 55,845	17,457 30,327	15,900 4,002	20,426 5,283	63,131 46,453	520,489 182,344		8
735,781 530,651	132,718 54,275	170,014 137,944	120,536 37,015	572,357 1,008,873	134,684 111,378	440,108 325,300	4,404,426 3,004,278	212,070 232,555	183,564 120,749	525,919 205,935	587,470 426,388	231,645 181,692		9
117,820 64,824	20,118 38,335	23,640 19,379	39,678 12,650	21,220 22,685	18,561 15,060	92,099 23,378	708,065 363,471	10,954 39,849	27,403 12,958	21,475 30,488	112,966 53,938	2,235 11,479		10
348,038 220,163	110,930 48,733	110,440 140,883	56,083 3,274	49,595 41,238	120,775 101,976	233,979 248,862	2,057,087 1,010,253	128,292 128,745	90,940 23,555	231,188 166,225	356,233 264,404	111,036 2,352		11
285,410 170,222	57,033 33,393	52,515 34,120	16,975 12,481	44,280 30,101	172,122 111,354	214,772 133,021	945,835 434,330	72,080 59,034	59,379 15,097	83,221 62,730	243,736 142,941	1,005,983 606,864		12
6,648 5,181	2,332 1,010	1,448 1,137	150	1,073 888	9,525 12,412	2,690 3,803	37,958 20,472	74 253	78 99	34,035	11,034 7,672			13
146,999 95,730	26,469 10,272	11,480 13,800	4,801 4,404	20,399 21,247	22,964 12,119	65,657 67,615	395,091 264,298	30,509 23,594	18,466 2,375	8,720 7,866	121,866 75,814			14
26,772 15,676	6,045 4,717	10,915 7,303	1,471 2,048	2,582 525	52,828 24,631	38,021 17,577	181,043 28,060	9,218 17,004	11,589 6,072	17,102 16,047	36,896 22,083	508,006 40,304		15
21,727 13,173	4,550 930	5,822 1,023	1,926	1,318 460	16,193 1,716	27,502 14,482	49,145 20,004	10,831 6,264	2,261 1,342	20,645	18,603 11,850	62,988 72,643		16
19,542 7,424	3,085 1,742	4,456 2,935	464 500	300 510	20,291 13,133	7,327 2,800	32,185 6,008	1,133 2,472	8,662 400	750 687	13,866 4,180	155,503 49,721		17
10,109 4,609	2,770 632	5,483 2,584	1,405 1,718	2,174 1,872	19,994 11,122	14,982 9,228	47,912 13,498	581 399	5,408 642	2,664	8,884 4,852	22,467 79,977		18
41,956 22,677	7,365 6,128	8,808 2,751	4,630 1,957	5,855 3,597	24,121 28,297	42,793 9,648	157,061 67,740	12,320 7,336	10,721 4,597	27,340 3,495	22,726 13,820	552,717 284,698		19
11,066 11,762	3,811 1,856	4,013 1,867	2,188 684	1,513 1,012	6,206 8,025	14,900 8,499	44,300 5,194	7,417 1,082	2,104		10,361 3,670	244,302 62,524		20
1,203,912 623,401	244,569 138,435	318,678 152,287	211,240 88,315	140,699 183,243	475,908 282,449	1,128,366 792,107	5,204,823 2,788,969	569,415 364,507	339,427 151,602	1,519,325 619,418	1,025,162 431,312	1,742,149 683,205		21
310,269 150,200	62,602 36,343	75,111 30,743	43,601 15,785	19,023 24,334	61,245 58,075	234,153 201,350	918,550 442,805	91,333 65,468	121,451 50,946	228,165 92,899	222,845 108,104	633,996 100,801		22
150,258 40,184	32,580 8,913	24,506 11,134	15,572 9,024	7,293 7,716	56,503 31,887	91,341 51,013	333,697 73,122	35,448 14,962	50,975 8,668	288,482 31,006	92,972 20,585	160,591 99,404		23
327,336 164,765	59,716 28,933	80,861 45,934	45,232 23,435	59,476 95,424	113,802 28,045	375,236 226,542	1,978,711 1,188,535	205,343 173,202	99,171 55,228	907,855 463,528	261,694 87,043	101,050 52,768		24
103,610 78,290	23,520 21,597	28,313 20,188	15,442 6,258	5,220 5,823	52,485 56,524	125,575 92,871	336,796 137,771	42,851 27,596	22,603 10,920	47,246 17,663	66,734 41,357	120,758 11,764		25
38,325 25,847	16,233 5,758	48,939 5,735	9,254 5,158	3,462 9,132	9,573 9,359	46,597 10,330	107,287 109,538	48,258 14,826	4,850 2,338		59,701 40,411	425,362 277,641		26
55,326 36,996	13,353 6,420	11,954 4,971	43,690 10,188	6,702 4,644	58,852 6,195	83,597 56,710	244,555 124,896	58,195 8,750	1,248 4,265	1,095	58,999 20,682	43,108 20,797		27
59,243 24,734	11,773 7,765	11,798 4,952	8,035 3,081	6,960 5,750	54,145 40,183	47,978 35,358	106,100 47,319	13,552 9,495	25,140 6,925	29,780 6,005	48,230 20,469	224,225 78,372		28
113,502 85,021	20,527 16,517	22,750 12,829	26,329 14,786	26,061 24,704	36,129 50,227	94,870 97,304	1,038,093 619,784	92,859 37,218	7,784 5,454	4,558 7,617	187,740 72,038	28,809 26,370		29
1,754	337	126	18		624	781	1,957	438	688	550	1,400			30
19,447 7,728	2,997 4,587	1,815 461	2,765	3,159 1,205	15,027	16,022 9,169	112,901 32,540	6,332 2,400	2,055	11,535	12,904 8,335			31
15,842 8,630	3,022 1,593	3,505 340	1,221	3,373 4,511	16,623 3,454	12,246 2,490	26,176 12,609	4,806 590	3,303 858		11,793 3,288	4,250 6,279		32

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TABLE 125.—OPERATING EXPENSES, BY ACCOUNTS, BY STATES

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	TRANSPORTATION—continued.								GENERAL.	
		Operation of cars—Continued.								Total.	Salaries of general officers.
		Wages of motormen.	Wages of other car-service employees.	Wages of car-house employees.	Car-service supplies.	Miscellaneous car-service expenses.	Hired equipment.	Cleaning and sanding track.	Removal of snow and ice.		
64 South Central division.....	1907	\$2,120,165	\$97,594	\$328,478	\$102,706	\$255,520	\$1,208	\$101,348	\$688	\$2,883,966	\$385,231
65	1902	1,178,051	72,097	169,084	118,267	116,921		37,354	1,468	1,197,684	233,856
66 Kentucky.....	1907	448,022	8,771	54,486	10,936	70,008	607	15,294	536	622,945	52,435
67	1902	288,499	28,914	23,244	72,691	74,510		7,352	1,200	313,510	44,832
68 Tennessee.....	1907	844,072	10,723	73,198	23,091	29,082		18,286	121	497,492	40,714
69	1902	170,851	6,223	11,954	13,340	6,288		4,404	137	237,734	32,076
70 Alabama.....	1907	227,733	12,559	36,941	13,450	71,249	300	11,602	0	449,380	40,051
71	1902	112,030	7,489	32,738	8,203	8,203		11,450		124,105	24,701
72 Mississippi.....	1907	53,400	7,029	8,116	2,163	2,794	20	1,318		94,467	25,020
73	1902	17,851		3,727	1,185	753		1,120		49,362	12,959
74 Louisiana.....	1907	474,944	12,115	63,899	26,287	22,174		26,467		360,356	55,466
75	1902	351,206	18,880	63,990	9,569	20,017		11,450		221,128	53,667
76 Arkansas.....	1907	93,815	5,101	11,804	4,812	7,943	40	6,431	22	124,490	21,725
77	1902	44,176	1,188	14,637	1,700	982		639	3	33,555	9,090
78 Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	51,410	2,078	16,257	3,203	7,503	175	2,853		55,879	14,244
79 Texas.....	1907	425,491	20,288	64,217	18,854	44,707		10,097		678,957	123,576
80	1902	182,270	10,047	18,744	6,604	6,073		7,249	38	218,290	50,623
81 Western division.....	1907	3,863,804	504,720	423,220	351,853	452,389	21,158	173,036	11,834	3,717,849	497,296
82	1902	1,896,027	125,465	143,333	107,487	70,652		59,980	9,697	1,338,151	240,206
83 Montana.....	1907	100,283		9,745	6,312	3,753		6,103	838	117,950	21,228
84	1902	51,886	150	5,980	16,456	2,203		5,342	669	70,738	11,160
85 Colorado.....	1907	361,061	15,698	35,170	14,027	38,157	3,730	16,418	1,204	359,368	54,422
86	1902	231,201	3,888	16,024	12,382	16,070		9,672	1,798	208,680	38,813
87 Washington.....	1907	725,059	134,608	75,913	60,161	80,935	3,199	40,070	8,022	1,017,532	174,688
88	1902	222,087	10,308	24,308	3,434	15,849		2,429	4,800	311,200	60,775
89 Oregon.....	1907	335,801	26,778	35,209	22,709	35,197	300	12,446	207	279,307	35,173
90	1902	126,026	7,456	9,383	6,991	1,695		4,045	987	87,588	20,733
91 California.....	1907	2,148,070	324,817	247,280	240,795	286,000	13,089	96,478		1,753,116	182,836
92	1902	1,187,715	103,147	81,333	66,925	30,826		38,585	601	600,016	105,628
93 All other Western states and territories. <sup>2</sup>	1907	192,024	2,810	10,822	6,919	7,057	831	1,521	1,503	190,570	28,940
94	1902	70,452	456	5,705	2,349	4,940		1,997	802	44,839	13,107
95 Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>3</sup> .....	1907	58,610	1,370	3,625	6,071	3,790		3,762		75,406	20,155
96	1902	53,287	2,222	3,887	2,079	826		4,319		95,366	8,959

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902.<sup>2</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.



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GENERAL—continued.													Wages, supplies, and expenses incident to electric service, not elsewhere included.
Salaries of clerks.	Printing and stationery.	Miscellaneous office expenses.	Stores expenses.	Stable expenses.	Advertising and attractions.	Miscellaneous general expenses.	Damages and legal expenses incident thereto.	Other legal expenses.	Rent of land and buildings.	Rent of tracks and terminals.	Insurance.		
\$231,664 89,402	\$44,348 29,205	\$55,688 30,092	\$30,044 30,802	\$57,282 45,176	\$190,404 60,604	\$207,788 161,784	\$1,245,134 808,886	\$89,087 49,453	\$39,091 73,885	\$167,682 8,886	\$159,653 74,703	\$1,059,067 240,906	64 65
31,583 15,014	5,413 8,838	8,056 0,041	4,914 20,036	19,392 4,088	15,273 14,344	38,999 84,324	202,710 70,460	10,356 13,507	3,650 3,355	114,996 0,600	25,198 18,181	64,092 27,771	66 67
41,216 14,673	8,321 4,710	10,855 3,180	8,870 1,738	5,334 0,031	23,386 4,010	47,694 18,849	255,865 08,368	15,125 12,421	5,331 60,501	..... .....	28,781 10,572	255,754 45,473	68 69
32,597 8,922	8,127 3,806	0,815 4,850	3,164 3,040	0,140 6,832	34,005 11,078	35,568 10,066	233,073 37,320	4,351 1,100	5,596 3,473	8,775 355	22,022 7,572	334,307 153,650	70 71
17,209 4,640	2,022 1,187	3,434 2,014	2,798 .....	2,288 1,181	3,088 2,567	4,778 3,401	24,554 16,124	1,116 1,447	3,313 2,023	..... .....	4,187 2,769	..... 8,660	72 73
31,749 23,927	4,898 4,407	4,300 5,627	3,060 3,846	10,926 13,882	03,913 13,109	14,811 20,096	115,982 38,470	16,052 13,137	2,827 931	..... 820	35,466 23,309	69,550 3,797	74 75
16,276 5,562	2,180 620	3,587 510	677 617	3,144 3,838	16,902 509	14,266 5,636	34,092 3,363	1,000 508	909 202	..... .....	8,523 3,006	133,832 1,555	76 77
9,018	1,025	3,220	854	205	3,142	5,327	10,418	1,334	2,655	.....	3,537	.....	78
51,950 15,914	10,853 5,541	12,421 5,770	5,701 1,685	9,847 8,724	30,005 14,927	46,345 12,462	277,840 75,741	19,163 7,248	14,810 3,350	43,911 1,111	31,939 9,304	201,532	79 80
535,416 184,936	95,386 24,842	107,590 47,693	58,853 30,708	39,726 43,441	200,004 143,905	292,595 88,810	1,309,316 361,841	105,734 46,018	76,684 17,407	97,656 9,761	232,593 98,004	796,128 186,433	81 82
10,451 7,175	1,005 413	1,739 1,280	143 25	420 120	47,594 30,150	12,024 0,707	9,928 3,556	4,510 2,500	2,257 2,442	..... .....	5,751 2,214	44,328 21,740	83 84
61,056 39,189	0,802 3,682	0,128 5,394	13,407 5,045	3,042 3,410	23,293 32,959	53,732 20,062	88,120 44,897	6,680 5,102	22,045 5,240	..... 566	10,475 12,383	76,138 4,270	85 86
90,836 35,095	25,953 1,850	20,720 0,352	8,704 3,275	043 268	23,705 32,057	62,801 25,565	448,471 105,051	30,691 18,410	14,055 5,815	67,420 1,389	48,485 21,479	621,026 152,396	87 88
62,508 14,910	160 4,080	18,592 5,023	..... .....	977 2,888	6,517 2,310	25,389 5,671	111,487 14,221	..... 5,201	438 1,810	..... 5,073	18,057 5,759	8,027	89 90
258,308 94,947	46,022 12,053	40,450 25,143	36,040 21,763	33,040 32,956	160,220 35,547	122,727 20,678	613,515 183,476	52,836 14,045	32,061 2,100	20,550 3,299	135,602 51,481	15,066	91 92
52,257 2,620	15,435 2,746	7,961 1,465	550 .....	404 3,700	7,006 982	15,022 3,446	37,795 10,040	11,017 1,360	5,228 .....	120 .....	8,223 4,683	39,570	93 94
11,035 14,098	2,827 1,801	2,175 344	1,206 903	4,076 54,142	4,748 3,018	8,090 3,225	8,896 3,023	3,682 1,983	3,193 624	..... .....	4,333 3,186	67,884 20,384	95 96

\* Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## IV.

## DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES).

In order to obtain a correct and comprehensive view of the financial results of operation for electric railways, an analysis of their aggregate deductions from income is necessary. The separation of deductions from income (sometimes termed "fixed charges") from operating expenses, for purposes of treatment in this report, simply follows the well-established and well-understood practice of accounting departments and accounting associations.

In some systems of accounting it is customary to regard and treat as fixed charges such payments as those for permanent improvements, and to include under the same head the salaries and maintenance of organization. In the standard form of accounting for electric railways used by the Census Bureau, however, the charge for permanent improvements is left as a later deduction from net income, while the salaries and maintenance of organization are included in operating expenses. The "deductions from income" appearing in the census tables will therefore be understood to cover taxes, interest, rent of leased lines, and miscellaneous deductions, the latter representing chiefly charges for depreciation and other special and minor payments.

An analysis of the deductions from income for all operating companies is presented in Table 126.

TABLE 126.—Deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges), by accounts, of operating companies: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	1907		1902		Per cent of increase.
	Amount.	Per cent of total.	Amount.	Per cent of total.	
Number of companies.....	1 030	.....	2 700	.....	.....
Aggregate.....	\$138,004,716	100.0	\$77,595,053	100.0	78.0
Taxes, total.....	19,755,602	14.3	13,078,899	16.9	51.0
On real and personal property.....	9,404,613	6.0	5,835,542	7.5	62.2
On capital stock.....	2,348,439	1.7	2,031,252	3.8	510.9
On earnings.....	5,437,028	3.9	2,710,287	3.5	99.9
Miscellaneous.....	2,505,510	1.8	1,502,818	2.1	57.3
Interest, total.....	63,740,744	46.2	38,085,011	49.1	67.4
On funded debt.....	53,760,525	38.9	35,223,284	45.4	52.0
On real-estate mortgages.....	149,875	0.1	93,078	0.1	61.0
On floating debt.....	9,824,344	7.1	2,760,649	3.6	254.7
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,506	34.8	25,518,225	32.9	88.2
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,675,774	4.8	912,018	1.2	621.0

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Decrease.

The aggregate deductions from income increased during the five-year interval between the censuses by over \$60,000,000, or 78 per cent. Of the separate items, the rates of increase in the interest on floating debt and in miscellaneous charges are conspicuously large, the former being over 250 per cent and the latter 621 per cent. It is a common practice,

and evidently an increasing one, for operating railway companies to receive from a holding company financial aid in the form of loans, which are carried in their accounts as floating debt. In some instances these temporary advances not only are made at a high rate of interest but carry an added charge for commission or brokerage. This fact should be borne in mind in considering the great increase in interest on floating debt in 1907 as compared with 1902. The great increase in miscellaneous deductions is accounted for by the fact that a larger number of companies in 1907 than in 1902 made depreciation and sinking-fund charges—a feature of railway accounting which is treated more fully in a later section of this chapter.

Taxes formed practically one-seventh of the aggregate deductions in 1907; interest on funded and other debt, over three-sevenths; rent of leased lines, over one-third; and all other miscellaneous deductions, nearly one-twentieth. The lowering of the per cent ratios of taxes and interest to the aggregate deductions does not of necessity indicate any lessening of the amount or rate of taxes paid, or any lowering of the average rate of interest on loans. Rather, the change in these proportions is due to the disproportionately great increase in the other two items, rentals and miscellaneous deductions. The amount paid in taxes increased both in the aggregate and per company, and the aggregate interest payments increased even more.

The amount paid in taxes increased for all the kinds of tax, both in the aggregate and per company, except in the case of taxes on capital stock. The 19.9 per cent decrease in the capital-stock taxes calls for special explanation. In the first place, it is to be noted that these statistics are for operating companies only, and it is known that some operating companies, in their reports, did not make the same division in 1907 as in 1902 between the taxes paid respectively on the capital stock of the operating companies themselves and their lessor companies. A complete tabulation of the statistics of capital-stock taxes reported in 1902 was not made, but an examination of the schedules has been carried far enough to establish the fact that the capital-stock taxes paid by operating and lessor companies combined in that year exceeded the amount (\$3,019,604) paid by both classes of companies in 1907 (see statement, p. 163). Detailed examination of the schedules and investigation developed the fact that a considerable part of the decrease is explained by the shrinkage in the market value of the securities of 1 company, which, in 1902, reported the payment of upward of \$400,000 in taxes on capital stock as against less than \$15,000 in 1907; and by a consolidation of a large number of companies into one of the largest city systems in the country, which in 1902 paid over \$300,000 in capital-stock taxes on the securities of the constituent companies as against a greatly reduced amount paid in 1907, on account of the merger.

*Deductions from income for groups of companies.*—Table 127 presents the deductions from income for companies, classified according to income from railway operations at the censuses of 1907 and 1902, and Table 128 shows the per cent distribution of the aggregate among the several accounts for the different classes of companies. Tables 129 and 130 make similar distribution of the statistics for companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service in 1907.

TABLE 127.—DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES), BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					Per cent of total.				
			\$1,000,000 and over.	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000.	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000.	Less than \$100,000.					
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	A	B	C	D	E
Number of companies.....	1907	1 939	76	50	80	182	551	8.1	5.3	8.5	19.4	58.7
Per cent of increase.....	1902	2 799	44	28	53	112	502	5.5	3.5	6.6	14.0	70.3
		17.5	72.7	78.6	50.9	62.5	* 2.0					
Aggregate.....	1907	\$138,094,716	\$102,004,702	\$12,091,085	\$8,820,046	\$9,067,818	\$6,111,085	73.9	8.8	6.4	6.6	4.4
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$77,505,053	\$56,819,948	\$5,799,751	\$5,136,642	\$5,010,268	\$4,822,444	73.2	7.5	6.6	6.5	6.2
		78.0	79.5	108.5	71.7	80.8	26.7					
Taxes.....	1907	\$19,755,602	\$15,524,362	\$1,426,804	\$1,052,242	\$1,071,560	\$680,574	78.6	7.2	5.3	5.4	3.4
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$13,078,899	\$10,326,341	\$879,446	\$619,745	\$650,066	\$603,311	79.0	6.7	4.7	5.0	4.6
		61.0	50.3	62.2	69.8	64.8	12.8					
Interest, total.....	1907	\$63,740,744	\$35,648,870	\$8,657,223	\$6,845,069	\$7,373,255	\$5,216,327	55.9	13.6	10.7	11.6	8.2
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$38,085,911	\$21,706,528	\$4,352,352	\$3,867,059	\$4,017,234	\$4,052,738	57.2	11.4	10.2	10.5	10.6
		67.4	63.6	98.9	77.0	83.5	28.7					
On funded debt.....	1907	\$53,766,525	\$30,105,669	\$7,035,156	\$5,678,834	\$6,534,654	\$4,412,212	56.0	13.1	10.6	12.2	8.2
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$35,223,284	\$20,711,446	\$3,844,873	\$3,478,447	\$3,687,086	\$3,501,432	58.8	10.9	9.9	10.5	9.9
		52.6	45.4	83.0	63.3	77.2	26.0					
On real-estate mortgages.....	1907	\$149,875	\$90,773	\$4,787	\$379	\$35,214	\$18,722	60.6	3.2	0.3	23.5	12.5
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$93,078	\$60,708	\$7,532	\$6,065	\$1,032	\$27,081	54.5	8.1	6.5	1.1	29.7
		61.0	78.8	* 36.4	* 93.8	3,312.2	* 32.4					
On floating debt.....	1907	\$9,824,344	\$5,452,428	\$1,017,280	\$1,105,856	\$803,387	\$785,393	55.5	16.5	11.9	8.2	8.0
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$2,769,549	\$1,034,314	\$499,947	\$382,547	\$329,116	\$523,025	37.8	13.1	13.8	11.9	18.9
		254.7	427.2	223.5	204.8	144.1	50.0					
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	1907	\$48,022,590	\$45,188,356	\$1,629,743	\$672,704	\$449,708	\$81,995	94.1	3.4	1.4	0.9	0.2
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$25,518,225	\$24,206,050	\$492,650	\$480,275	\$193,794	\$105,456	95.2	1.9	1.7	0.8	0.4
		88.2	86.0	230.8	56.4	132.1	* 22.2					
Miscellaneous deductions.....	1907	\$6,575,774	\$5,643,114	\$377,235	\$249,941	\$173,205	\$132,189	85.8	5.7	3.8	2.6	2.0
Per cent of increase.....	1902	\$912,018	\$401,020	\$75,303	\$219,563	\$165,184	\$60,939	44.0	8.3	24.1	17.0	6.7
		621.0	1,307.2	401.0	13.8	11.7	116.9					

\* Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

\* Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

\* Decrease.

TABLE 128.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION, BY ACCOUNTS, OF AGGREGATE DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES) OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF AGGREGATE DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME.											
	Total.		A		B		C		D		E	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Aggregate.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Taxes.....	14.3	16.9	15.2	18.2	11.8	15.2	11.9	12.1	11.8	13.0	11.1	12.5
Interest, total.....	46.2	49.1	34.0	38.4	71.6	75.0	77.6	75.3	81.3	80.1	85.4	84.0
On funded debt.....	38.9	45.4	29.5	36.5	58.2	66.3	64.4	67.7	72.1	73.5	72.2	72.6
On real-estate mortgages.....	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	(1)	0.1	(1)	0.1	0.4	(1)	0.3	0.6
On floating debt.....	7.1	3.6	5.3	1.8	13.4	8.6	13.2	7.4	8.9	6.6	12.9	10.9
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	34.8	32.9	44.3	42.8	13.5	8.5	7.6	8.4	5.0	3.9	1.3	2.2
Miscellaneous deductions.....	4.8	1.2	5.5	0.7	3.1	1.3	2.8	4.3	1.9	3.1	2.2	1.3

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 129.—DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES), BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	* 930	6	933	50	100	739
Aggregate.....	\$138,094,716	\$13,459,216	\$124,635,500	\$10,767,359	\$350,092	\$126,977,265
Taxes.....	19,755,602	1,986,249	17,769,353	992,177	47,686	18,715,739
Interest, total.....	63,740,744	3,700,002	60,040,142	6,500,999	300,988	56,848,757
On funded debt.....	53,700,525	3,425,422	50,341,103	6,127,024	253,378	47,386,123
On real-estate mortgages.....	149,875	5,355	144,520	34,316	2,175	113,384
On floating debt.....	9,824,344	209,825	9,554,519	429,069	45,435	9,349,250
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	48,022,596	5,906,120	42,066,470	3,054,413	.....	44,968,188
Miscellaneous deductions.....	6,575,774	1,800,245	4,700,529	120,770	1,418	6,444,586

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

TABLE 130.—Per cent distribution, by accounts, of aggregate deductions from income (taxes and fixed charges) of operating companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF AGGREGATE DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME.					
	Total, all companies.	Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways.	Electric surface railways.	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Aggregate.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Taxes.....	14.8	14.8	14.8	9.2	13.6	14.7
Interest, total.....	46.2	27.5	48.2	31.2	86.0	44.8
On funded debt.....	38.9	25.5	40.4	56.9	72.4	37.3
On real-estate mortgages.....	0.1	(1)	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.1
On floating debt.....	7.1	2.0	7.7	4.0	13.0	7.4
Rent of leased lines and terminals.....	34.8	44.3	33.7	28.4	.....	35.4
Miscellaneous deductions.....	4.8	13.4	3.8	1.2	0.4	5.1

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

It is evident from Table 127 that the great increases shown for rentals and miscellaneous deductions, which have already been referred to, were due almost entirely to conditions prevailing among companies of Class A. Thus the increase in miscellaneous deductions shown for Class A amounted to 1,307.2 per cent as against an increase of only 82.5 per cent for all the other classes combined. And in the case of the rentals, though the increase for Class A is actually exceeded by the increases shown for two other classes, B and D, yet the total payments for rentals by companies of this class formed so large a proportion (94.1 per cent) of the totals for this item as to exercise the controlling influence on the percentage of increase for companies as a whole.

From Table 128 it will be seen that the distribution of the aggregate deductions from income shows some wide differences for companies of different size. With companies having an annual income of \$1,000,000 or over, the most important fixed charge is rent of leased

lines, which amounted to more than three-sevenths of the total fixed charges for these companies in 1907, while for other companies the interest on funded and other debt makes up by far the largest share of the total. Starting with Class B, for which the ratio is 71.6 per cent, the ratio of interest to total deductions increases from class to class until it reaches 85.4 per cent in Class E. Though for some classes the corresponding ratios for 1902 were smaller than in 1907, there was a similar progression—from 75 per cent for the companies belonging to Class B to 84 per cent for those in Class E. It will also be noticed that the total payments in taxes to city and state governments are proportionately heaviest in the case of the large companies of Class A, as for companies of this class slightly over 15 per cent of the total fixed charges represent such payments. These large companies also report greater allowance proportionately for depreciation and special obligations than did the smaller companies.

Table 130 shows that interest on funded obligations is the most important fixed charge with interurban lines, 56.9 per cent of their total fixed payments being required for this purpose as compared with 25.5 per cent for the electric elevated and subway railways and 72.4 per cent for the selected small urban roads. On the other hand, tax payments are relatively small for interurban lines, only 9.2 per cent of the total deductions from income being thus applied as compared with 13.6 and 14.8 per cent, respectively, for the selected small urban roads and the elevated and subway railways.

*Taxes.*<sup>1</sup>—In 1907 the operating and lessor companies combined paid \$20,682,061 in taxes to the local and state governments as compared with \$13,366,335 in 1902, an increase of \$7,315,726, or 54.7 per cent. There is a lack of uniformity in the various states and municipalities in regard to the definition and interpretation of the different kinds of taxes, which detracts

<sup>1</sup> See Ch. V of Part II of this report for municipal taxation methods, etc.

somewhat from the value of these statistics when the total taxes are itemized by kinds. While taxes on real estate were reported for all states, there are wide variations in the rate and the method of determining the value of the property subject to taxation. The following statement shows the total taxes reported for 1907, divided according to the kinds of tax and the amount of each kind contributed by the operating and the lessor companies:

*Taxes, distributed by kind, of operating and lessor companies, respectively: 1907.*

CLASS OF COMPANY.	Total.	KIND OF TAX.			
		On real and personal property.	On capital stock.	On earnings.	Miscellaneous.
Total, all companies.....	\$20,082,061	\$0,548,216	\$3,010,604	\$5,553,070	\$2,561,102
Operating.....	19,735,602	0,464,616	2,348,430	5,437,028	2,505,519
Lessor.....	920,459	83,600	671,165	116,051	55,643

The taxes paid by lessor companies were only 4.5 per cent of the total for all companies. In the majority of cases the terms of the lease agreement stipulate that the taxes be paid by the lessee company, and as many lessee or operating companies carried but one tax account for both properties, the Census Bureau did not segregate the total charged against the 2 companies. By reference to Table 105 it will be seen that Pennsylvania reported the bulk of the taxes paid by lessor companies, amounting to \$878,438, or 94.8 per cent of the total for all lessor companies. In this state taxes were reported as levied on real and personal property, capital stock, and earnings.

Table 132 gives the total amount of taxes paid by operating companies, by states. The only decrease shown, that for Pennsylvania, was occasioned by a different division of the taxes between operating and lessor companies at the two censuses. One large company, which operated many leased properties, did not include the taxes paid on account of lessor companies in the 1907 operating report, while it did so include them in 1902. A combination of the amounts reported as paid for taxes by both operating and lessor companies in Pennsylvania for 1907 and 1902 indicates a substantial increase for the five-year period.

Only 26 states in 1907 and 14 states in 1902 imposed a tax on capital stock and bonds. It is possible that many small payments of incorporation fees, amounting in the aggregate to a considerable amount, have been included in the total shown for taxes on capital stock. Taxes on earnings (usually gross income) were levied in 33 states in 1907 and in 23 in 1902. The \$2,505,519 reported by operating companies under the head of miscellaneous taxes in 1907 included payments for car licenses, pole taxes, paving assessments, business licenses, franchise and corporation taxes, and

numerous other forms of special payments required by municipal, county, and state governments.

Some companies also regard the cost of special crossing policemen and of free city lighting as miscellaneous taxes, on the ground that any requirement by city authorities not necessary to the actual operation of the property is a compulsory expense and therefore a tax. Upon this assumption the value of all free electric service furnished municipalities by electric railways would be treated as taxes. The estimated amount of income lost because of such free lighting and power service was reported by railways engaged in the light and power business in 1907 as \$33,697.

*Ratio of taxes to gross income.*—Table 131 shows the per cent ratio of taxes to gross income in 15 important states for 1907 and 1902.

TABLE 131.—Per cent ratio of taxes to gross income of operating and lessor companies combined, selected states: 1907 and 1902.

STATE.	PER CENT RATIO.	
	1907	1902
California.....	4.2	5.0
Connecticut.....	4.8	6.0
Illinois.....	5.0	5.9
Indiana.....	4.4	4.9
Kentucky.....	6.5	6.1
Louisiana.....	6.0	6.9
Maryland.....	7.7	8.2
Massachusetts.....	6.2	6.8
Michigan.....	3.5	3.5
Missouri.....	6.1	6.0
New Jersey.....	4.9	5.3
New York.....	4.7	5.6
Ohio.....	4.4	3.6
Pennsylvania.....	4.6	6.1
Tennessee.....	6.9	6.1

Of the selected states, Maryland shows the highest ratio of taxes to gross income in both 1907 and 1902, owing largely to the fact that the city of Baltimore lays a heavy tax on the gross receipts of its railways. Tennessee shows the next highest ratio in 1907, 6.9 per cent, followed by Kentucky, with 6.5 per cent. At the census of 1902 Louisiana and Massachusetts were next in order after Maryland. The taxes paid in 1907 by the 2 important railway companies in Memphis and Nashville, Tenn., and by the large company in Louisville, Ky., were very large and formed a high percentage of the gross incomes of these companies.

The states of California, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio show a low ratio of taxes to income. In these states a large proportion of the railway business is done by the interurban lines, which are not so heavily taxed as are the companies operating wholly within the corporate limits of cities and towns.

Table 90, which gives the per cent distribution of the gross income of operating companies, shows that the per cent ratio of taxes to gross income was smaller in 1907 than in 1902, the percentages being, respectively, 4.6 and 5.2. By reference to Table 99 it will be seen that a decreased ratio is also shown for income Classes A, B, and D, and a constant ratio for Class E,

an increase appearing only in the case of Class C (income of \$250,000 but less than \$500,000). As these are all statistics of operating companies, it may be thought that the decreased ratio is due to a difference in the attribution of total taxes to the operating and lessor companies, respectively, in the two censuses. But as a matter of fact the per cent ratio of total taxes to gross income shows a similar decrease for operating and lessor companies combined, from 5.3 per cent in 1902 to 4.8 per cent in 1907, though this decrease is slightly less than that for operating companies alone. Table 131 shows that the decrease was fairly general among the selected states, 10 of them showing decreased percentages for 1907, 4 of them increased percentages, and 1 the same percentage for both years.

The statistical evidence seems conclusive, then, that there was a general and typical decrease in the ratio of taxes to gross income, and such a general decrease calls for explanation of an equally general character. Such an explanation is found in a consideration of the usual bases of taxation, in connection with a consideration of the increase in gross receipts between 1902 and 1907. Though the method of basing taxes on earnings has been increasingly used in recent years, by far the larger part of the taxes of street and electric railways is still levied on the basis of the real and personal property of the companies. Under these circumstances, taxes will not keep pace with gross income unless assessors are everywhere prompt to increase real and personal property valuations, as the gross earning power of the companies increases. The gross receipts of street and electric railways are shown by the statistics to have increased very greatly and to have reached an exceedingly high mark in 1907. It is highly improbable that real and personal property assessments have been increased in anything like the same proportion. The necessary effect of such a condition of things would be that which the statistics indicate—a decrease in the ratio of taxes to gross income. The decrease would be most marked wherever increased traffic is carried on lines already existing, rather than on extensions or additions, which would quickly find their place in the records of the assessors. It is therefore probable that an even greater decrease would have been shown for 1907 had not the increase of trackage between 1902 and 1907 exceeded the increase of traffic for the large companies of Classes A and B (see p. 86).

*Interest.*—The annual payments by street and electric railways to meet interest charges on their funded and floating debt, and on their real-estate mortgages amount to a large aggregate—\$81,771,266 for 1907 and \$46,462,470 for 1902, an increase during the five years of \$35,308,796, or 76 per cent. Earlier tables of this chapter, which accompany the discussion of the income account, show for companies as a whole

and by groups the interest charges of operating and lessor companies in their relation to gross income. In Chapter VI (p. 100) will be found a detailed analysis of the statistics relating to interest on funded debt, which is the principal item of the total interest charge. The following statement shows the interest paid by operating and lessor companies by character of debt:

*Interest on funded and other debt of operating and lessor companies:  
1907 and 1902.*

CLASS OF COMPANY.	Census.	INTEREST.		
		Total.	On funded debt.	On floating debt and real-estate mortgages.
Total, all companies.....	1907 1902	\$81,771,266 46,462,470	\$71,468,788 43,578,961	\$10,302,478 2,883,509
Operating.....	1907 1902	63,740,744 38,085,911	53,766,525 35,223,284	9,974,219 2,862,627
Lessor.....	1907 1902	18,030,522 8,376,559	17,702,263 8,355,977	328,259 20,882

It should perhaps be explained that although the interest on bonds of leased companies is guaranteed by the lessee and often paid directly by the latter to the bondholders of the lessor company, the distinction between the interest accruing on the securities of the two classes of companies was preserved in the census statistics. In 1907 the interest payments on funded debt were divided between operating and lessor companies in the ratio of about 3 to 1 as compared with a ratio of over 4 to 1 in 1902.

Dividing the total amount reported in 1907 as interest on floating debt and on real-estate mortgages, practically all of it being interest on floating debt, by the amount of such debt reported, gives a quotient of 3.64, which is the statistical average rate of return. This average, however, can not be taken as expressing an average or typical rate of interest paid on such debts. Such debts are essentially unstable, the amount frequently fluctuating widely from month to month; and a large part of it represents advances between affiliated companies, on which no interest is charged. On the other hand, in some cases, as with the Pennsylvania companies, to which reference has been made, the amount paid included both nominal interest and brokerage, or commission, and the real rate was therefore very high.

*Rent of leased lines and terminals.*—The total for this item, when shown as a deduction from income, includes, principally, payments by operating companies for the use of track owned by nonoperating companies; but it also contains a considerable amount paid by operating companies for the use of track owned by other operating companies or by steam railroads. It excludes such rentals, however, in those cases in which the owners have not entirely relinquished the right of operation. In these cases the



rentals are counted in operating expenses, and not in fixed charges. It also excludes the rentals paid to the city by the railway companies in New York and Boston for the use of subways built and owned by the municipality, these rentals being counted in the "Miscellaneous deductions" from income.

The total paid by operating companies for the rent of leased lines and terminals amounted in 1907 to \$48,022,596, an increase over the amount paid in 1902 of \$22,504,371, or 88.2 per cent. Next to the interest on funded and other debt, this item constituted the largest fixed charge. By reference to Table 132 it will be seen that, although rentals for leased lines were paid in 1907 in 21 states, \$39,137,695, or 81.5 per cent of the total, was reported from the North Atlantic states, while \$7,885,834, or 16.4 per cent of the remainder, was reported by the companies in the North Central division, only \$999,067, or 2.1 per cent of the total being reported by the other three divisions.

The largest payment for leased lines, \$19,279,392, was reported for New York, and the next largest, \$13,554,786, for Pennsylvania, the two constituting over two-thirds of the total for all states. In New York City the elevated, subway, and surface lines are practically all operated under lease by 3 companies; in Pennsylvania the city systems of Philadelphia and Pittsburg are each operated by 1 company; in Boston the railways are controlled by 3 companies; and in Providence, R. I., the system is operated by 1 company. In both Connecticut and New Jersey a large proportion of the railways are under the control of 1 company, partly through lease and partly as the result of a merger. In Norfolk, Va., New Orleans, La., and Cincinnati, Ohio, the city systems are operated under lease by 1 company. In Chicago there is also considerable leasing of surface lines. In Ohio and Indiana many of the railways required to form connecting systems of interurban lines were acquired by lease agreements. Table 183 shows the names and locations of the different individual companies and whether they were operating or lessor companies.

*Miscellaneous deductions.*—The rentals paid by the railway companies in New York and Boston for the use of the city subways formed roughly one-third of the total miscellaneous deductions from income in 1907. The remainder represents chiefly depreciation charges, sinking funds, and in a few cases, special payments not specified.

In the making of these minor accounts and in reporting them to the Census Bureau, the practice of the companies was so confused and lacking in uniformity that little statistical showing of the results can be made. Sinking funds, depreciation funds, and "reserves" were given varying interpretations, and were combined in varying ways. As a result it has been deemed impracticable to attempt any statistical discussion of these items, except in the case of the depreciation fund, for which the data are somewhat more complete and distinguishable than for the others.

*Depreciation funds.*—Depreciation funds are set apart—in the accounts of a company—as special funds from which to pay for the replacement of the physical equipment as it wears out or becomes obsolete. It is thus a provision by the company against an accruing "liability" of the company itself toward its plant, rather than a liability incurred once for all to persons outside the company; and the date of its final use is unknown and uncertain, as contrasted with the fixed and known date of the term of the company's debts. Depreciation and the best method of providing for it are matters that received little or no consideration in the early days of street railways. It was usual to say that the surplus account and the appreciation of properties through growth and expansion of traffic would take care of the depreciation. But with the electrification of the railways, with the rapid obsolescence of old forms of equipment and plant through changes in operative power, etc., and as an incident of consolidation with the attendant recapitalization, the problem of providing for depreciation has come to be one of increasing recognition and importance.

The object of a depreciation fund or account is to provide for the maintenance of original values and the replacement of equipment, ways, and structures, and all parts thereof, when their period of usefulness has run; or, in other words, to maintain the integrity of the property at all times. The essential point is that revenue should be charged with a proper sum to cover the deterioration in the value of wasting assets, and that the apportionment of this sum as between one year and another should be upon equitable lines.<sup>1</sup> The current repairs to machinery and structures necessary to maintain them in suitable condition is considered an operating expense that is incident to the regular operation of a road and is as properly a charge against operating income as is the cost of the materials and supplies consumed or the labor employed. But all machinery and structures are also in their own degree subject to wear and tear or decay that in time lowers their efficiency to a point where it is advisable to replace with new rather than to repair the old; and depreciation charges are to provide for such extraordinary expenditures made to maintain the property as a going concern at its original value and efficiency. Depreciation results not only from the gradual decay that is caused by "wear and tear," but also from the occasional obsolescence of plant or equipment that is caused by new processes, or inventions, or other changes in the industry. Thus it often happens that machinery has to be sent to the scrap pile long before its natural life has run.

It was thought that the substitution of electric power for animal or cable power would materially reduce operating expenses, but the percentage allowance for depreciation which once sufficed to main-

<sup>1</sup> See "Depreciation, Reserves, and Reserve Funds," Lawrence R. Dicksee, London, 1907.

tain a property is no longer sufficient. With the introduction of electricity have come larger cars and higher speeds, which in turn have required heavier rails and better roadbeds, and enlarged and improved power plants. All the elements in the car operation are now on a larger scale than formerly, and those which involve wear and tear perhaps more so than others.

The temptation to distribute net earnings as dividends and to trust to the future to take care of future requirements has often prevailed over the more conservative policy of insuring against every phase of deterioration of the property. Naturally the elimination from the cost of maintenance of any part of the cost of maintaining the physical property at its original value and efficiency results in making the cost of maintenance appear too low.

The returns to the Census Bureau are not in a form to show, in all cases, whether a charge or allowance for depreciation has been made. Such an allowance for depreciation may be made in one of several ways. For example:

(1) By charging at stated periods a percentage or fixed amount to the proper items of operating expense, though the expenditure is not actually incurred.

(2) By charging a lump sum yearly, to be deducted from income, before arriving at the net income for the year.

(3) By charging off a part of the net income or surplus for the year which is to be carried to the balance sheet, so that the income-account surplus and the balance-sheet surplus vary by the amount of the allowance.

The practice of the different companies in providing for depreciation is not uniform, and only when the second method is used is it possible to determine from the census reports whether allowance has been made for depreciation. Many companies carry a portion of their net earnings to surplus, which in some measure takes the place of a depreciation fund.

Depreciation accounts, designated as replacement accounts, are generally carried for the several classes of property which are subject to depreciation, such as cars and electric locomotives, electric equipment of cars, power-plant equipment, electric generators and substation equipment, track and electric-line construction, buildings and fixtures, etc.

The carrying of depreciation accounts requires that a line should be drawn between charges to maintenance and those to depreciation reserve. Replacements of parts of short life, such as wheels which often wear out after a few months' service, brake shoes, the rewinding of motors, the painting of cars, etc., are clearly items chargeable to maintenance. All repairs which keep a car in service are properly chargeable to maintenance, but at some point in the life of a car the continuance of repairs ceases to be

profitable and the car should be scrapped or sold. The cost of a new car, less the amount, if any, realized on the old one, then becomes an item for the depreciation account.

It is good financial practice for the company to charge every year to the depreciation account a fixed and uniform percentage of the purchase price of the equipment rather than to attempt to determine and charge the actual deterioration of the successive years. That this annual percentage rate depends upon the average life of the equipment is obvious, but there is much discussion among technical experts as to what specific rates for the various forms of equipment should be.

The following statement of rates of depreciation may be taken as representing the judgment of experts in this matter:

Rates of depreciation.<sup>1</sup>

ITEM.	ESTIMATED PER CENT OF DEPRECIATION.		
	Adopted by Chicago Union Traction Co.	Adopted by Third Avenue Railroad Co., New York. <sup>2</sup>	Adopted for adjusted accounts of Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Co.
Track and roadway:			
Track, ties, bonding, etc.	7.75	8 to 9	7.5
Special work and installation	7.75		8.0
Rolling stock:			
Bodies and trucks	5.00	5	5.0
Electrical equipment	6.66 to 8.66		7.5
Fenders, registers, lights, clocks, etc.			10.0
Overhead system:			
Poles	5.00		5.0
Wiring, fittings, etc.	10.00 to 14.00		10.0
Underground system:			
Conduits		3	2.0
Feeders, cables, etc.		3	4.0
Power-plant equipment:			
Engines	6.66	4	5.0
Boilers	6.66		7.5
Heaters, economizers, pumps, etc.	6.66		7.5
Piping	6.66		5.0
Traveling cranes	6.66		5.0
Belted, shafting, ropes, etc.	6.66		5.0
Coal and ash conveyors and hoist wagons	6.66		5.0
Dynamoes	6.66		5.0
Generating apparatus	6.66		10.0
Storage battery	6.66		5.0
Switchboard and cables	5.00		7.5
Shop tools and machinery	2.00	2	2.0
Buildings and improvements			

<sup>1</sup> From table submitted in the case involving the rates of fare in the city of Milwaukee, Electric Railway Journal, April 10, 1909.

<sup>2</sup> Rates quoted in the franchise-tax case.

<sup>3</sup> Iron poles.

In the census tables the deductions from income on account of depreciation, when charged as a lump sum yearly, are included under the head of "Miscellaneous deductions" from income. Of the total of \$6,575,774 reported under the head of miscellaneous deductions, the sum of \$2,397,250 represents charges for depreciation, specifically reported as such, or credits to depreciation and sinking fund combined.

The following statement shows, by geographic divisions, the number of companies thus reporting depreciation allowances at the census of 1907 and the amounts so reported in connection with the figures reported for cost of construction and equipment:

Depreciation deductions and cost of construction and equipment, for companies reporting same: 1907.

DIVISION.	COMPANIES REPORTING DEPRECIATION DEDUCTIONS.			
	Number of companies.	Cost of construction and equipment.	Charges for depreciation.	
			Amount.	Per cent of cost of construction and equipment.
United States.....	20	\$271,093,220	\$2,397,250	0.88
North Atlantic.....	2	23,204,964	115,754	0.50
South Atlantic.....	3	5,487,174	34,535	0.63
North Central.....	16	217,295,712	1,988,570	0.92
South Central.....	2	9,331,938	85,888	0.92
Western.....	3	16,313,442	172,508	1.06

The amounts and ratios of allowances for depreciation here shown are manifestly far from the actual

ones, as they are also far from proper ones. There are several obvious reasons for the defects in the statistics, both as to their completeness and as to their comparability. First of all, the amounts here shown for depreciation represent only amounts that were accounted for by the companies in the second of the three bookkeeping methods mentioned above. Secondly, the amounts of depreciation charges are shown in relation to the costs of all the properties of the company, whereas they were undoubtedly, in many cases, limited to specific purposes, as, for example, to specific forms of equipment. And finally, it must be recalled that the census term "cost of construction and equipment" covers franchises, "good will," etc., as well as physical properties, and all at book values rather than at the figures of actual costs.

TABLE 132.—DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES), BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING COMPANIES, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Aggregate.	Taxes.	INTEREST.				Rent of leased lines and terminals.	Miscellaneous deductions.
					Total.	On funded debt.	On real-estate mortgages.	On floating debt.		
United States.....	1907	1930	\$138,094,716	\$10,755,602	\$63,740,744	\$53,706,525	\$140,875	\$0,824,344	\$48,022,506	\$6,575,774
	1902	799	77,595,053	18,078,809	38,085,911	35,223,284	93,078	2,700,540	25,518,225	912,018
North Atlantic division.....	1907	305	71,907,673	8,781,893	20,520,735	15,517,003	90,314	4,013,418	39,137,695	3,461,350
	1902	350	43,101,611	7,472,505	16,845,309	15,227,610	01,043	1,556,650	18,316,397	467,400
Maine.....	1907	17	469,277	43,383	425,894	407,021	2,250	16,023	.....	.....
	1902	19	337,050	20,704	301,772	266,900	067	34,130	4,000	1,574
New Hampshire.....	1907	10	112,510	15,919	96,591	80,515	.....	16,076	.....	.....
	1902	7	83,786	7,822	47,300	39,550	.....	7,840	28,574	.....
Vermont.....	1907	10	117,001	9,795	107,451	102,737	.....	4,714	.....	355
	1902	9	45,080	4,427	40,602	30,721	.....	3,941	.....	.....
Massachusetts.....	1907	62	7,061,339	1,911,510	2,610,927	1,908,577	10,975	691,375	2,145,630	393,203
	1902	74	5,108,619	1,009,499	1,524,248	1,071,242	712	452,204	1,967,540	7,335
Rhode Island.....	1907	5	1,538,793	292,145	185,006	83,225	.....	101,781	1,054,080	7,562
	1902	7	351,707	140,814	210,953	205,360	.....	5,693	.....	.....
Connecticut.....	1907	8	2,154,047	369,512	209,008	124,378	75	85,155	831,050	753,877
	1902	21	1,128,319	243,393	757,580	732,108	.....	25,472	108,046	19,800
New York.....	1907	101	35,354,087	4,207,725	9,730,805	7,146,932	68,857	2,515,010	10,279,392	2,046,165
	1902	96	19,552,055	3,428,401	10,893,127	9,528,743	30,746	773,638	5,710,580	71,778
New Jersey.....	1907	24	5,755,396	927,510	2,840,704	2,600,859	7,908	231,937	2,272,148	15,034
	1902	25	3,025,740	431,912	1,573,411	1,476,383	10,114	86,914	1,586,217	34,300
Pennsylvania.....	1907	122	19,344,023	1,224,894	4,319,749	3,062,759	6,240	1,250,741	13,554,786	246,094
	1902	98	12,808,286	1,576,470	2,056,100	1,870,540	18,804	166,822	8,902,431	333,213
South Atlantic division.....	1907	100	7,998,784	1,548,424	5,982,598	5,279,792	2,350	700,450	345,370	122,392
	1902	75	5,200,379	806,718	4,437,607	4,280,254	5,850	142,503	2,695	13,359
Delaware.....	1907	4	203,023	15,333	143,255	47,000	900	95,355	43,200	1,835
	1902	3	77,439	13,973	63,463	39,000	2,250	22,216	.....	.....
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907	19	3,708,360	778,544	2,914,375	2,694,780	.....	219,595	5,500	9,881
	1902	18	3,237,193	502,085	2,671,533	2,605,132	.....	69,401	1,975	1,000
Virginia.....	1907	22	1,287,931	240,169	756,190	710,064	250	45,876	239,375	52,187
	1902	16	547,730	46,845	400,484	467,602	3,600	19,222	.....	10,401
West Virginia.....	1907	15	743,200	93,493	639,756	508,727	.....	131,029	4,795	5,156
	1902	8	205,842	28,030	237,812	230,950	.....	6,853	.....	.....
North Carolina.....	1907	11	353,806	39,058	220,922	160,615	.....	60,307	52,500	41,326
	1902	7	98,993	10,791	87,219	80,310	.....	6,909	.....	983
South Carolina.....	1907	7	390,713	42,007	340,706	238,050	.....	102,656	.....	8,000
	1902	7	203,196	21,109	180,392	161,259	.....	19,133	720	975
Georgia.....	1907	12	1,124,089	290,235	830,757	807,508	1,200	21,989	.....	3,997
	1902	10	755,207	110,846	644,361	642,712	.....	1,649	.....	.....
Florida.....	1907	10	186,222	49,585	130,637	112,988	.....	23,649	.....	.....
	1902	6	74,779	12,439	62,340	62,220	.....	120	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 132.—DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME (TAXES AND FIXED CHARGES), BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING COMPANIES, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	Number of companies.	Aggregate.	Taxes.	INTEREST.				Rent of leased lines and terminals.	Miscellaneous deductions.
					Total.	On funded debt.	On real-estate mortgages.	On floating debt.		
North Central division.....	1907	293	\$39,803,747	\$0,406,052	\$23,262,652	\$20,802,779	\$49,211	\$2,410,662	\$7,885,834	\$2,249,209
	1902	235	22,908,054	3,621,690	11,831,802	10,983,675	23,121	825,066	7,195,871	410,631
Ohio.....	1907	73	9,215,583	1,387,052	4,012,432	3,887,376	37,710	687,346	3,155,380	60,719
	1902	62	4,187,860	601,142	2,467,584	2,295,268	3,280	159,036	1,006,036	12,504
Indiana.....	1907	33	4,477,535	499,273	1,883,272	1,776,758	600	105,914	1,906,943	128,047
	1902	26	1,201,297	185,014	984,391	952,219	.....	32,172	.....	31,892
Illinois.....	1907	70	10,608,510	2,018,189	5,907,635	5,434,234	10,745	402,050	2,648,012	94,674
	1902	48	8,463,191	1,483,359	3,037,830	2,786,563	11,530	239,737	3,875,007	51,995
Michigan.....	1907	24	2,867,083	336,514	2,445,800	2,244,703	108	200,938	.....	34,760
	1902	24	1,788,797	223,538	1,547,772	1,501,111	.....	40,661	.....	12,487
Wisconsin.....	1907	20	2,180,929	325,966	1,380,206	1,292,035	.....	88,171	.....	474,757
	1902	17	1,081,100	150,059	646,194	624,205	0,034	15,365	.....	284,907
Minnesota.....	1907	5	2,128,166	415,965	1,122,138	1,059,325	.....	62,813	.....	590,053
	1902	5	1,027,121	131,128	870,038	864,422	.....	5,610	24,064	1,891
Iowa.....	1907	24	894,434	99,582	749,454	660,785	.....	88,609	2,913	42,485
	1902	22	429,373	54,115	353,118	344,839	.....	8,279	.....	22,140
Missouri.....	1907	14	6,150,063	1,098,222	4,490,780	3,798,020	.....	692,760	14,400	546,061
	1902	10	4,635,401	646,682	1,765,840	1,439,798	1,677	315,365	2,230,104	1,715
North and South Dakota <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	5	19,993	2,069	17,761	16,000	.....	1,761	.....	163
Nebraska.....	1907	8	895,573	139,398	390,017	386,875	48	3,094	97,840	208,318
	1902	4	150,207	28,252	122,045	119,750	.....	2,205	.....	.....
Kansas.....	1907	17	305,888	33,822	203,148	246,608	.....	16,540	346	8,572
	1902	11	64,451	8,401	56,050	55,500	.....	550	.....	.....
South Central division.....	1907	90	6,959,418	1,378,786	5,059,320	4,421,015	.....	638,305	320,449	200,863
	1902	66	2,754,169	577,184	2,105,596	2,000,014	400	105,182	.....	11,389
Kentucky.....	1907	13	1,109,233	313,328	789,097	750,646	.....	32,451	.....	6,808
	1902	12	777,433	177,775	598,594	591,072	.....	6,922	.....	1,064
Tennessee.....	1907	9	1,418,676	310,140	1,040,975	977,083	.....	63,892	.....	67,460
	1902	8	595,356	113,573	478,473	441,222	.....	37,251	.....	8,310
Alabama.....	1907	10	988,048	178,373	741,292	692,487	.....	48,805	.....	68,383
	1902	9	884,762	37,047	347,830	254,653	.....	92,077	.....	385
Mississippi.....	1907	8	247,833	31,890	209,121	178,810	.....	30,311	.....	6,822
	1902	5	38,684	4,501	34,183	32,175	.....	2,008	.....	.....
Louisiana.....	1907	11	1,890,680	359,837	1,173,867	1,021,270	.....	152,587	320,449	36,537
	1902	8	690,380	200,156	483,594	476,530	400	6,664	.....	6,030
Arkansas.....	1907	8	268,537	30,817	232,720	212,623	.....	20,097	.....	.....
	1902	7	68,071	7,213	60,558	50,850	.....	10,008	.....	.....
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup> .....	1907	8	109,230	7,732	80,645	85,200	.....	1,445	.....	14,853
Texas.....	1907	23	932,282	146,660	785,613	496,890	.....	288,717	.....	.....
	1902	17	199,483	36,919	162,564	152,012	.....	9,662	.....	.....
Western division.....	1907	91	11,425,094	1,640,447	8,909,439	7,745,930	2,000	1,161,503	333,248	541,900
	1902	67	3,509,940	700,802	2,805,537	2,722,725	2,664	80,148	3,262	339
Montana.....	1907	5	120,851	22,519	79,638	77,500	.....	2,138	.....	18,694
	1902	5	74,633	13,975	60,658	58,375	.....	2,283	.....	.....
Colorado.....	1907	11	1,273,024	148,462	1,033,840	981,523	.....	52,317	.....	90,722
	1902	7	536,005	78,264	454,479	441,645	.....	12,834	3,262	.....
Washington.....	1907	14	1,788,814	388,322	1,281,023	890,714	.....	300,309	117,417	1,552
	1902	8	403,101	78,239	384,802	374,163	.....	10,699	.....	.....
Oregon.....	1907	8	992,748	117,548	875,200	861,983	2,000	11,217	.....	.....
	1902	6	140,519	17,622	128,897	128,719	.....	178	.....	.....
California.....	1907	41	6,732,705	896,273	5,189,609	4,555,559	.....	634,050	215,831	430,992
	1902	35	2,112,050	495,179	1,617,550	1,579,043	.....	38,507	.....	230
All other Western states and territories <sup>3</sup> .....	1907	12	517,452	67,323	450,129	378,657	.....	71,472	.....	.....
	1902	6	176,723	17,623	159,091	140,780	2,664	15,047	.....	109
Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>4</sup> .....	1907	4	184,302	29,381	110,171	93,159	.....	17,012	.....	44,750
	1902	5	106,015	10,987	68,618	66,305	.....	2,313	.....	20,410

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.<sup>2</sup> No company reported in 1902.<sup>3</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.<sup>4</sup> Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## V.

## GENERAL RESULTS OF OPERATION.

The standards for measurement of prosperity or of operative conditions or efficiency selected for treatment in this section are the average operating earnings and expenses and the net earnings per mile of track, per car mile, and per passenger carried. Obviously no one of these standards is by itself entirely satisfactory as a criterion of the results of operation; they are of greatest efficiency when applied to the statistics of a single company, so that the different methods and conditions under which the company is operated can be given due weight. The results obtained by apply-

ing these standards to the totals for all classes of companies, operated under various and varying conditions, should not be accepted as reflecting the actual conditions for any single company. In regard to the general trend of railway transactions, however, such averages convey a better idea than can be obtained from a consideration of large aggregates. Moreover, the differences in the various averages as shown for the classes of companies, where classifications are made, possess the greatest significance that such statistics can be made to bear, as measuring the amount and character and "movement" of the various influences that condition railway management and success.

TABLE 133.—GENERAL RESULTS OF OPERATION OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

UNIT.	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
			\$1,000,000 and over. (A)	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000. (B)	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000. (C)	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000. (D)	Less than \$100,000. (E)
Number of companies.....	1907 1902	1 939 2 799	70 44	50 28	80 53	182 112	551 502
Per cent ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings.....	1907 1902	60.1 57.5	58.4 54.8	60.9 57.7	63.1 59.9	64.1 64.3	72.1 70.8
Operating earnings per mile of track, total.....	1907 1902	\$12,268.00 11,152.00	\$10,287.00 9,935.00	\$8,345.00 9,051.00	\$7,030.00 7,166.00	\$6,467.00 5,812.00	\$4,152.00 3,603.00
Operating earnings per mile of track, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	1907 1902	11,678.00 10,805.00	18,798.00 19,681.00	7,838.00 9,282.00	6,947.00 6,816.00	5,588.00 5,376.00	3,548.00 3,241.00
Operating earnings per car mile, total.....	1907 1902	0.2597 0.2187	0.2025 0.2292	0.2481 0.2112	0.2088 0.2130	0.2634 0.1968	0.2300 0.1812
Operating earnings per car mile, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	1907 1902	0.2472 0.2119	0.2558 0.2263	0.2330 0.2032	0.2446 0.2026	0.2276 0.1820	0.1905 0.1603
Operating expenses per car mile, total.....	1907 1902	0.1561 0.1257	0.1532 0.1255	0.1510 0.1219	0.1697 0.1270	0.1087 0.1266	0.1658 0.1284
Power-plant expenses per car mile.....	1907 1902	0.0273 0.0204	0.0240 0.0179	0.0287 0.0193	0.0333 0.0208	0.0368 0.0252	0.0445 0.0327
Expenses for operation of cars per car mile.....	1907 1902	0.0624 0.0552	0.0647 0.0583	0.0587 0.0535	0.0603 0.0524	0.0562 0.0493	0.0522 0.0439
Passenger earnings per fare passenger.....	1907 1902	0.0515 0.0494	0.0469 0.0484	0.0567 0.0498	0.0585 0.0540	0.0565 0.0531	0.0554 0.0514
Operating expenses per fare passenger.....	1907 1902	0.0339 0.0301	0.0308 0.0274	0.0381 0.0305	0.0435 0.0356	0.0450 0.0384	0.0500 0.0436
Net earnings per mile of track.....	1907 1902	4,395.00 4,741.00	8,032.00 9,020.00	3,265.00 4,082.00	2,817.00 2,874.00	2,324.00 2,073.00	1,159.00 1,069.00

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish financial data.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish financial data.

A mile of track, as a unit of measure, expresses the foundation upon which all railway business rests, and is perhaps the best unit of comparison for all general statistics. The advantages of the car-hour unit over the car-mile unit have been considered elsewhere,<sup>1</sup> but although the former unit was employed by a larger number of companies in 1907 than in 1902, it is not yet used by all of the companies or even by a sufficient number to make it available as a basis for general comparative statistics. The car mile, on the other hand, is a unit employed by all street and electric railways. The fare-passenger unit is also an available one, and has been used as a basis for com-

parisons for all roads doing a passenger business. It must be borne in mind that the car-mile unit is complex, being made up of two units, one of which is regarded as a unit of capacity and the other of distance. Hence the unit can not be a constant one, since, while the element of distance is constant, the other, that of capacity, is continually varying. Indeed, the variation of this element is one of the changes that the car-mile figures are designed to show. Capacity, in its turn, depends obviously upon the size and type of the car, upon its condition, and, as might be maintained from one point of view, upon its speed. In all these respects the car of 1907 is much changed from the car of 1902, and the effect is apparent when earnings and expenses are considered on a car-mile basis.

<sup>1</sup> See p. 88.

Similarly, there are many things that have to be kept in mind when making comparisons on the basis of the number of fare passengers carried. Thus a change in the policy of a railway in granting free transfers may mean a change in the number of fare passengers carried, without a corresponding change in the traffic statistics. Again, the fare-passenger unit ignores the factor of length of ride; or, perhaps it may better be said that it assumes a uniform average length of ride for all companies and all times. This assumption is only roughly true for strictly urban traffic, while as between urban and rural or interurban traffic it is very far from true. The development of interurban lines has introduced into the sta-

tistics a large and growing number of long-trip passengers. In some cases these long-trip passengers pay their fares by "zones," a ticket or fare being collected at the beginning of each "zone" of travel. In such cases the "passenger" as a unit is not far different from the passenger of the urban statistics, though representing a distance traveled that is undoubtedly above the average. But it frequently happens that interurban passengers are carried long distances on a single ticket, in the same way as on the steam railroads. The result is that such passengers—though counted by the "head" or by the tickets sold them, equaling a varying number of urban passengers—lessen the number of "passengers" and increase all resultant averages.

TABLE 134.—GENERAL RESULTS OF OPERATION OF COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.

UNIT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Number of companies.....	299	299	709	630	175	112	55	57
Per cent ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings.....	60.1	57.5	60.0	57.4	60.3	58.1	71.8	58.1
Operating earnings per mile of track, total.....	\$12,238.00	\$11,152.00	\$13,178.00	\$11,794.00	\$10,022.00	\$8,978.00	\$1,558.00	\$2,978.00
Operating earnings per mile of track, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	11,678.00	10,805.00	13,045.00	11,731.00	7,620.00	6,358.00	1,485.00	2,904.00
Operating earnings per car mile, total.....	0.2597	0.2187	0.2519	0.2157	0.3085	0.2597	0.2361	0.1901
Operating earnings per car mile, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	0.2472	0.2119	0.2493	0.2145	0.2346	0.1830	0.2250	0.1854
Operating expenses per car mile, total.....	0.1561	0.1257	0.1512	0.1239	0.1859	0.1509	0.1695	0.1105
Power-plant expenses per car mile.....	0.0273	0.0204	0.0260	0.0195	0.0345	0.0293	0.0531	0.0250
Expenses for operation of cars per car mile.....	0.0624	0.0552	0.0531	0.0580	0.0580	0.0478	0.0566	0.0410
Passenger earnings per fare passenger.....	0.0515	0.0494	0.0510	0.0493	0.0542	0.0493	0.0919	0.0621
Operating expenses per fare passenger.....	0.0339	0.0301	0.0321	0.0292	0.0455	0.0420	0.0729	0.0381
Net earnings per mile of track.....	4,835.00	4,741.00	5,298.00	5,022.00	3,983.00	3,761.00	439.00	1,247.00

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish financial data.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish financial data.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of 2 part-time companies.

A principal disturbing factor in all comparisons, based upon the total income or the total expenses, is the inclusion of the income and expenses incident to the operation of electric light and power plants. As previously explained, there is an increasing tendency among railway companies to enter the field formerly occupied exclusively by the central light and power stations. This new branch of the industry necessarily increases the proportion of income and expense that is not identified with the operation of the road, and therefore vitiates, to a certain extent, averages based on the miles of track, the car mile, or the passengers carried. If the proportion of the total income derived from the sale of current and the proportion of the total expenses incident to the generation of such current had remained unchanged in the interval between 1902 and 1907, the averages for the different years would at least be based on similar factors and would hence indicate the changes. This, however, is not the case, because the income from the sale of current formed only 3.1 per cent of the total operating earnings reported for 1902 as against 4.8 per cent for 1907.

Though these percentages are small, the amounts involved are large and their exclusion has a decided effect upon the calculation of average earnings per mile of track and per car mile. Thus, as may be calculated from the statistics in Table 133, the exclusion of income from sale of current results in reducing the figure for earnings per mile of track by \$590 in 1907 as compared with \$347 in 1902; and the figure for earnings per car mile by 1.25 cents in 1907 as compared with seven-tenths of 1 cent in 1902.

The operating earnings per unit, exclusive of income from sale of current, as given in Table 133, should not be confused with the averages for the group of companies classified as "Without commercial lighting" in Table 134. In computing the former averages, all income derived from the sale of current has been eliminated, while the total upon which the latter averages are based included a considerable amount of income derived from incidental sales of current by companies which could not be considered as engaged in regular light and power business.



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**TABLE 135.—GENERAL RESULTS OF OPERATION OF COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.**

UNIT.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	939	6	933	50	100	789
Per cent ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings.....	60.1	44.7	61.5	58.0	80.7	60.2
Operating earnings per mile of track, total.....	\$12,268.00	\$80,727.00	\$11,414.00	\$5,237.00	\$2,509.00	\$13,868.00
Operating earnings per mile of track, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	11,078.00	80,471.00	10,821.00	5,020.00	2,502.00	13,188.00
Operating earnings per car mile, total.....	0.2597	0.2358	0.2620	0.2728	0.1653	0.2593
Operating earnings per car mile, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	0.2472	0.2351	0.2484	0.2614	0.1648	0.2467
Operating expenses per car mile, total.....	0.1561	0.1053	0.1610	0.1581	0.1334	0.1560
Power-plant expenses per car mile.....	0.0273	0.0230	0.0277	0.0359	0.0361	0.0267
Expenses for operation of cars per car mile.....	0.0024	0.0405	0.0646	0.0545	0.0506	0.0631
Passenger earnings per fare passenger.....	0.0515	0.0497	0.0517	0.0840	0.0527	0.0501
Operating expenses per fare passenger.....	0.0339	0.0238	0.0348	0.0567	0.0464	0.0329
Net earnings per mile of track.....	4,895.00	44,073.00	4,400.00	2,201.00	484.00	5,520.00

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.  
<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.  
<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish financial data.

**Earnings per mile of track.**—The averages based on totals from which earnings from the sale of current are excluded are undoubtedly the correct ones to be associated with the operation of the railways. On this basis the operating earnings per mile of track for 1907 show a substantial increase over those for 1902, though this increase is not general. In the classification according to size of companies the Classes A and B, representing the largest companies, show a decided decrease in the earnings per mile of track, while the three classes representing smaller companies show an increase. The amounts of these increases and decreases are shown in Table 136, in which the distinction is also made between total operating earnings of the companies and their operating earnings, exclusive of income from the sale of current.

The decrease in earnings per mile of track shown for Classes A and B is due primarily to the proportionately large increase in track. The trackage reported by companies in these classes in 1907 was 87.7 per cent greater than the trackage reported by companies of the same income classes in 1902, compared with an increase of only 74.8 per cent in earnings, exclusive of sale of current. This great increase in trackage is most marked for Class B, rising to 106.2 per cent, with an increase in earnings, exclusive of sale of current, of 74.1 per cent. The extension of trackage falling within the statistics of these classes was larger in districts of low-traffic density. The largest interurban lines, many of which were new companies in 1907, fall in Classes A and B.

It should be remembered also that Classes A and B include those large companies reporting deficits (discussed on p. 123), whose earnings constituted about 16 per cent of the earnings of all companies.

It is to be noted that these comparisons are comparisons of classes rather than of companies. A detailed study would show that many companies which reported at both censuses and are included in

Class A or B for both years show increased earnings per mile of track.

**TABLE 136.—Average earnings, expenses, and net earnings per mile of track, of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.**

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907	1902	Increase.	Decrease.
Total, all companies:				
Operating earnings, total.....	\$12,268	\$11,152	\$1,116	.....
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	11,078	10,805	873	.....
Operating expenses.....	7,372	6,411	961	.....
Net earnings.....	4,895	4,741	154	.....
Class A:				
Operating earnings, total.....	10,287	10,095	.....	\$648
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	18,708	19,081	.....	883
Operating expenses.....	11,256	10,015	341	.....
Net earnings.....	8,032	9,020	988	.....
Class B:				
Operating earnings, total.....	8,345	9,051	.....	1,306
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	7,838	9,282	.....	1,444
Operating expenses.....	5,080	6,570	.....	490
Net earnings.....	3,265	4,082	.....	817
Class C:				
Operating earnings, total.....	7,036	7,166	470	.....
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	6,947	6,916	131	.....
Operating expenses.....	4,810	4,292	527	.....
Net earnings.....	2,817	2,874	57	.....
Class D:				
Operating earnings, total.....	6,467	5,812	655	.....
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	5,688	5,376	212	.....
Operating expenses.....	4,143	3,739	404	.....
Net earnings.....	2,324	2,073	251	.....
Class E:				
Operating earnings, total.....	4,152	3,603	489	.....
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	3,548	3,241	307	.....
Operating expenses.....	2,903	2,595	308	.....
Net earnings.....	1,150	1,069	90	.....

Of the 6 elevated and subway companies for which average earnings are shown in Table 135, 5 are included in Class A and 1 in Class B, and as the earnings and expenses per mile of track are very large for these companies, they necessarily have a strongly marked effect on the averages for those classes. The group of "Electric elevated and subway railways" is made up of the elevated and subway systems of New York and Chicago, on which the traffic is very dense, and which, as compared with other systems, have proportionately



fewer miles of track. The result is that the average earnings per mile of track for the group (\$80,727) are much larger than for any of the other groups of companies shown in Table 135. Consolidations, extensions, the introduction of subways, and other changes render it impossible to make a direct comparison of the statistics for the same companies in 1907 and 1902. The 5 steam and electric elevated roads for which separate totals were given at the earlier census are, however, included in the group of elevated and subway systems for 1907, which, in addition, includes the Brooklyn Union Elevated Railroad. With this exception, virtually the same systems are included in the two groups, and the figures for both are therefore presented in Table 137.

TABLE 137.—General results of operation of elevated and subway railways: 1907 and 1902.

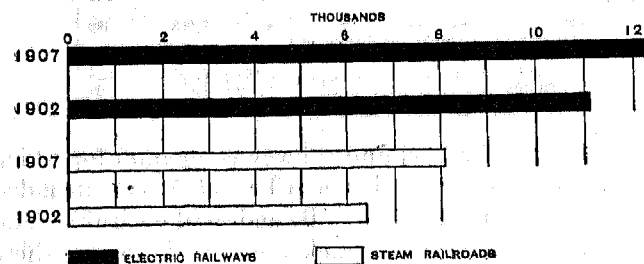
UNIT.	Electric elevated and subway railways: 1907. <sup>1</sup>	Steam and electric elevated railways: 1902. <sup>2</sup>
Number of companies.....	6	5
Per cent ratio of operating expenses to earnings.....	44.7	49.7
Operating earnings per mile of track.....	\$80,727.00	\$71,889.00
Operating earnings per car mile.....	0.2358	0.1900
Operating expenses per car mile, total.....	0.1053	0.0975
Power-plant expenses per car mile.....	0.0230	0.0232
Expenses for operation of cars per car mile.....	0.0405	0.0448
Passenger earnings per fare passenger.....	0.0497	0.0508
Operating expenses per fare passenger.....	0.0238	0.0259
Net earnings per mile of track.....	44,073.00	36,151.00

<sup>1</sup> Includes Interborough Rapid Transit Co. and Brooklyn Union Elevated R. R. Co., in New York, N. Y., and South Side Elevated R. R. Co., Northwestern Elevated R. R. Co., Chicago, and Oak Park Elevated R. R. Co., and Metropolitan West Side Elevated Ry. Co., in Chicago, Ill.; but does not include the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Manhattan Ry. Co., in New York, N. Y., and Northwestern Elevated R. R. Co., South Side Elevated R. R. Co., Metropolitan West Side Elevated Ry. Co., and Lake Street Elevated R. R. Co., in Chicago, Ill.; but does not include the mixed elevated, subway, and surface system in Boston, Mass.

While, as suggested, the inclusion of another railway in the statistics for 1907, the introduction of the subway in New York City, and other changes necessarily affect the financial returns for that year as compared with those for 1902, the averages roughly indicate the conditions for this type of railways in New York City and Chicago during the two census years.

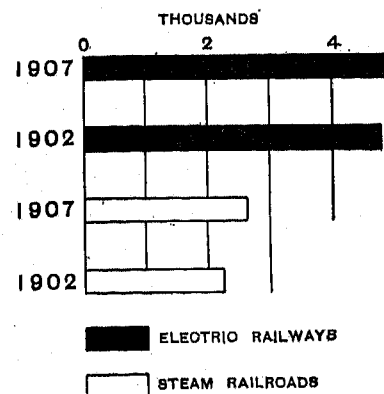
DIAGRAM 5.—Operating earnings per mile of track, electric railways and steam railroads: 1907 and 1902.



Only slight changes are shown in the majority of the averages in Table 137, but there was a decided de-

crease in the ratio of operating expenses to earnings and decided increases in the operating and the net earnings per mile of track.

DIAGRAM 6.—Net earnings per mile of track, electric railways and steam railroads: 1907 and 1902.



The freight and express business is virtually a new department of activity for street and electric railways. The proportion between the expenses incident to this new branch of activity and the income derived from it can not be determined, but the service has added somewhat to operating earnings and should be kept in mind in considering all averages in which it has exercised an influence.

TABLE 138.—Combined freight and express earnings per mile of track, by groups of companies: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907	1902	Increase.
Total, all companies.....	\$199	\$65	\$134
Income from railway operations:			
A. \$1,000,000 and over.....	159	37	122
B. \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.....	205	34	231
C. \$250,000 but less than \$500,000.....	301	119	182
D. \$100,000 but less than \$250,000.....	249	73	176
E. Less than \$100,000.....	141	88	53
Kind of system and character of service:			
Electric elevated and subway railways.....	76	(1)	.....
Electric surface railways.....	201	(1)	.....
Selected interurban lines.....	338	(1)	.....
Selected small urban roads.....	146	(1)	.....
All other railway companies.....	174	(1)	.....

<sup>1</sup> This classification not made for 1902.

There were 454 companies in 1907 and 265 in 1902 that reported earnings from either freight or express business or both. It was impracticable, however, to ascertain the number of miles of track over which freight or express matter was carried, and therefore the total trackage has been used in all cases as the divisor in computing the average earnings from this business. The average for all companies was more than three times as great in 1907 as in 1902. The largest averages at both censuses are shown for income Class C, which is composed of the medium-sized companies, and for the selected interurban roads. While the amounts are not large, as compared with the earnings

from passenger service, the increases are significant of the development of this branch of business.

*Earnings per car mile.*—It is noticeable that every average for which the car mile is a standard shows an increase in 1907 as compared with 1902.

The inclusion of the earnings from the sale of current necessarily increases the earnings per car mile, but its elimination from the computations for both censuses confines the averages almost exclusively to the earnings resulting directly from the operation of the cars. As shown by Table 133, the averages at both censuses increased progressively, from that shown for the smaller companies to that for the group of largest companies; with the single exception, that for Class B, the average in 1907 was slightly less than that for the next smaller class. In other words, it would seem that cars operated by the smaller companies earn, on the average, a smaller amount of money in running a given distance than do those of the larger companies. An exception to this rule occurs in the case of the group of electric elevated and subway systems shown in Table 135, for which the reported earnings per car mile were only \$0.2358.

*Earnings per passenger.*—The fare passenger is a third standard unit of measurement. The average earnings per passenger for 1907 were slightly in excess of those for 1902 for all companies taken together and for each of the 5 income classes, as shown in Table 133. The urban traffic is the predominating factor in determining this average, and it is not surprising to find the average for all companies to be about 5 cents, the

almost universal fare of the urban passenger. Variations from this general average are due to conditions heretofore described, for which proper allowance can not be made in totals that include statistics for a large number of companies. The effect on the statistics of the long rides on the interurban lines is shown by the larger average, about 8½ cents, reported for the selected interurban lines in Table 135. The smallest average in 1907, 4.97 cents, is shown for the group of electric elevated and subway railways.<sup>1</sup>

*Expenses and net earnings per unit.*—Comparisons of average earnings per unit of measurement are significant in themselves, but they are much more so when they are brought into relation with the average expenses for the same units. In some respects comparisons of the averages of expenses and earnings, respectively, based on different units of measurement, as given in Tables 133, 134, and 135, convey a more definite idea of actual conditions than can be obtained from a comparison of total operating expenses and total operating earnings. Unfortunately it is impossible to eliminate the expenses incident to the generation of current for sale, so as to make the statistics for operating expenses comparable with those relating to income from operation exclusive of that from the sale of current, as shown in Table 133. This difficulty is overcome in part by giving separate averages for those companies that are not engaged in the regular light and power business, as shown in Tables 134 and 139.

<sup>1</sup> See also p. 92.

TABLE 139.—AVERAGE EARNINGS, EXPENSES, AND NET EARNINGS PER UNIT, OF COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.

UNIT.	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
<b>Per mile of track:</b>								
Operating earnings, total.....	\$12,268.00	\$11,162.00	\$13,178.00	\$11,794.00	\$10,022.00	\$8,978.00	\$1,558.00	\$2,978.00
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	11,678.00	10,805.00	13,045.00	11,731.00	7,620.00	6,358.00	1,485.00	2,904.00
Operating expenses.....	7,372.00	6,411.00	7,909.00	6,772.00	6,038.00	5,217.00	1,118.00	1,732.00
Net earnings.....	4,896.00	4,741.00	5,268.00	5,022.00	3,983.00	3,761.00	439.00	1,247.00
<b>Per car mile:</b>								
Operating earnings, total.....	0.2597	0.2187	0.2519	0.2157	0.3085	0.2597	0.2361	0.1901
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	0.2472	0.2119	0.2493	0.2145	0.2346	0.1839	0.2250	0.1854
Operating expenses, total.....	0.1561	0.1257	0.1512	0.1239	0.1859	0.1509	0.1695	0.1105
Power-plant expenses.....	0.0273	0.0204	0.0260	0.0196	0.0345	0.0293	0.0531	0.0250
Expenses for operation of cars.....	0.0024	0.0552	0.0031	0.0560	0.0586	0.0478	0.0566	0.0410
Net earnings.....	0.1036	0.0930	0.1007	0.0918	0.1226	0.1088	0.0866	0.0796
<b>Per fare passenger:</b>								
Operating earnings, total.....	0.0503	0.0523	0.0536	0.0508	0.0756	0.0722	0.1016	0.0856
Passenger earnings.....	0.0515	0.0494	0.0510	0.0493	0.0542	0.0493	0.0919	0.0621
All other earnings.....	0.0049	0.0029	0.0025	0.0015	0.0213	0.0229	0.0096	0.0035
Operating expenses.....	0.0339	0.0301	0.0321	0.0292	0.0455	0.0420	0.0729	0.0381
Net earnings.....	0.0225	0.0223	0.0214	0.0210	0.0300	0.0303	0.0287	0.0275

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

The income from the sale of current for the census year 1907 amounted to \$20,093,302, and large amounts ranging from \$2,225,519 to \$7,538,308 are shown for each of the five income classes (Table 107). The in-

clusion of the expenses incident to this income necessarily increases the average expense per mile of track, per car mile, and per passenger. As these expenses form a varying proportion of the total expenses at the

different censuses, a comparison based on them is not a true indication of the increase or decrease in the average expense of conducting traffic. They are, however, included by railway companies in many of their calculations and are so included in the majority of the tables in this report.

The operating earnings and expenses per mile of track and the net earnings per mile of track for companies, classified according to size, are given together in Table 136, which shows that for all operating companies the average net earnings for 1907 exceeded the

average for 1902 by \$154. For each of the three groups containing the largest companies, however, this average decreased in the same period, the decrease for Class A, which amounted to \$988, being particularly noticeable.

The increase from 1902 to 1907 in the net earnings per mile of track, shown in Table 139, for companies classified as "Without commercial lighting" (\$246) was larger than for the group classified as "With commercial lighting" (\$222).

TABLE 140.—AVERAGE EARNINGS, EXPENSES, AND NET EARNINGS PER UNIT, BY GROUPS OF COMPANIES: 1907.

UNIT.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.			
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.
<b>Per mile of track:</b>					
Operating earnings, total.....	\$12,268.00	\$80,727.00	\$11,414.00	\$5,237.00	\$2,500.00
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	11,678.00	80,471.00	10,821.00	5,020.00	2,502.00
Operating expenses.....	7,872.00	30,055.00	7,015.00	3,036.00	2,025.00
Net earnings.....	4,895.00	44,073.00	4,400.00	2,201.00	484.00
<b>Per car mile:</b>					
Operating earnings, total.....	0.2597	0.2358	0.2620	0.2728	0.1633
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	0.2472	0.2351	0.2484	0.2614	0.1648
Operating expenses, total.....	0.1561	0.1053	0.1610	0.1581	0.1334
Power-plant expenses.....	0.0278	0.0230	0.0277	0.0859	0.0351
Expenses for operation of cars.....	0.0624	0.0405	0.0646	0.0545	0.0506
Net earnings.....	0.1036	0.1305	0.1010	0.1147	0.0819
<b>Per fare passenger:</b>					
Operating earnings, total.....	0.0508	0.0533	0.0566	0.0961	0.0575
Passenger earnings.....	0.0515	0.0497	0.0517	0.0840	0.0527
All other earnings.....	0.0040	0.0030	0.0050	0.0121	0.0048
Operating expenses.....	0.0339	0.0238	0.0348	0.0557	0.0404
Net earnings.....	0.0225	0.0295	0.0218	0.0404	0.0111

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.

The 6 elevated and subway railways reported the largest net earnings per mile of track, \$44,673, while the selected small urban roads naturally show, on the same basis, the smallest averages for expenses and earnings and the smallest net earnings per mile of track, \$484.

As the majority of the 933 "Electric surface railways" are operated under fairly similar conditions, the averages for this group are not affected by what may be termed the unusual or abnormal conditions under which the elevated and subway and long interurban lines are operated. The group includes a few unimportant systems which are not operated by electricity, but the amounts reported by them are not large enough to affect appreciably the averages. These averages are fairly comparable with those for the 725 electric surface roads for which the statistics were shown separately at the census of 1902. In 1907 the operating earnings, operating expenses, and net earnings per mile of track for this group were \$11,414, \$7,015, and \$4,400, respectively, as compared with \$10,503, \$6,087, and \$4,416, the corresponding averages in 1902. A more satisfactory comparison, however, results from the further subdivision of the electric roads reported for both censuses, which is shown in Table 139.

The operating earnings and expenses per car mile given in Table 141 show the effect upon this unit of measurement of the various factors before referred to.

The net earnings per car mile show an increase in 1907 as compared with 1902 for all of the classes of companies; the greatest increase is shown for Class D and the smallest for Class A. The association of light and power business with railway operations necessarily increases the power-plant expenses. As shown by Table 139 the cost of power per car mile in 1907 was relatively greater (3.45 cents) for companies with light plants than for those without (2.6 cents).

The use of the number of passengers as a divisor gives the smallest unit of measurement to determine the result of railway operations. The reduction to this small unit enables a concrete statement to be made from which general conditions can be determined by a glance at Table 142.

The averages based upon the fare passenger also range higher for 1907 than for 1902 (except in the case of the average net earnings for Class A), owing in part at least to the contraction in the number reported, as explained on page 170. The operating expenses of passenger traffic can not be segregated from the expenses of other traffic, freight, express, etc., and hence it is necessary to consider all expense from railway

operations. The amounts on which the average for "All other" earnings is based include income from chartered cars, freight, mail and express business, and sale of current; and all other miscellaneous earnings from operation. The averages for the companies that do and for those that do not engage in commercial lighting given in Table 139 are in some respects more satisfactory than those in Table 141, but they do not cover the entire field.

TABLE 141.—Average earnings, expenses, and net earnings per car mile of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907 (cents).	1902 (cents).	Increase (cents).
Total, all companies:			
Operating earnings, total.....	25.97	21.87	4.10
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	24.72	21.19	3.53
Operating expenses, total.....	15.61	12.57	3.04
Power-plant expenses.....	2.73	2.04	0.69
Expenses for operation of cars.....	6.24	5.52	0.72
Net earnings.....	10.36	9.30	1.06
Class A:			
Operating earnings, total.....	26.25	22.92	3.33
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	25.58	22.63	2.95
Operating expenses, total.....	15.32	12.55	2.77
Power-plant expenses.....	2.40	1.79	0.61
Expenses for operation of cars.....	6.47	5.83	0.64
Net earnings.....	10.93	10.37	0.56
Class B:			
Operating earnings, total.....	24.81	21.12	3.69
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	23.30	20.32	2.98
Operating expenses, total.....	15.10	12.19	2.91
Power-plant expenses.....	2.37	1.93	0.44
Expenses for operation of cars.....	5.87	5.35	0.52
Net earnings.....	9.71	8.93	0.78
Class C:			
Operating earnings, total.....	26.88	21.30	5.58
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	24.46	20.26	4.20
Operating expenses, total.....	16.97	12.76	4.21
Power-plant expenses.....	3.33	2.08	1.25
Expenses for operation of cars.....	6.03	5.24	0.79
Net earnings.....	9.92	8.54	1.38
Class D:			
Operating earnings, total.....	26.34	19.68	6.66
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	22.76	18.20	4.56
Operating expenses, total.....	16.87	12.66	4.21
Power-plant expenses.....	3.68	2.52	1.16
Expenses for operation of cars.....	5.62	4.93	0.69
Net earnings.....	9.47	7.02	2.45
Class E:			
Operating earnings, total.....	23.00	18.12	4.88
Operating earnings, exclusive of income from sale of current.....	19.65	16.03	3.62
Operating expenses, total.....	16.58	12.84	3.74
Power-plant expenses.....	4.45	3.27	1.18
Expenses for operation of cars.....	5.22	4.39	0.83
Net earnings.....	6.42	5.29	1.13

The net earnings per fare passenger for all railways in 1907 were two-hundredths of a cent greater than the average for 1902. The greatest gain is shown for Class D, the smallest for Class E; while Class A shows an actual decrease of six-hundredths of a cent. It will be noted that in 1907 the average passenger earnings per fare passenger for railways operating part of the year was over 9 cents, a much larger average than any shown in Table 142. The explanation is found in the fact that there are included in this group several large interurban roads which began operations during 1907.

TABLE 142.—Average earnings, expenses, and net earnings per fare passenger of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907 (cents).	1902 (cents).	Increase (cents).
Total, all companies:			
Operating earnings, total.....	5.63	5.23	0.40
Passenger.....	5.15	4.94	0.21
All other.....	0.49	0.29	0.20
Operating expenses.....	3.39	3.01	0.38
Net earnings.....	2.25	2.22	0.02
Class A:			
Operating earnings, total.....	5.28	5.00	0.28
Passenger.....	4.99	4.84	0.15
All other.....	0.30	0.16	0.14
Operating expenses.....	3.08	2.74	0.34
Net earnings.....	2.20	2.26	0.06
Class B:			
Operating earnings, total.....	6.20	5.29	0.97
Passenger.....	5.67	4.98	0.69
All other.....	0.59	0.31	0.28
Operating expenses.....	3.81	3.05	0.76
Net earnings.....	2.45	2.24	0.21
Class C:			
Operating earnings, total.....	6.90	5.94	0.96
Passenger.....	6.86	5.40	1.46
All other.....	1.06	0.55	0.50
Operating expenses.....	4.35	3.56	0.79
Net earnings.....	2.64	2.38	0.26
Class D:			
Operating earnings, total.....	7.03	5.97	1.06
Passenger.....	5.65	5.31	0.34
All other.....	1.38	0.66	0.72
Operating expenses.....	4.50	3.84	0.66
Net earnings.....	2.53	2.13	0.40
Class E:			
Operating earnings, total.....	6.03	6.10	0.77
Passenger.....	5.54	5.14	0.40
All other.....	1.39	1.02	0.37
Operating expenses.....	5.00	4.36	0.64
Net earnings.....	1.04	1.80	0.14

<sup>1</sup> Decrease.

**Operating ratio.**—A comparison of the per cent ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings (the operating ratio), for the different groups of companies, indicates to some extent the effect of the efficiency of management and the density of traffic upon their financial showing. The ratio, however, is influenced by many other conditions, all of which should be given due weight in making comparisons.

The operating ratio is a measure often used in comparing railway companies, especially with regard to efficiency of management and conditions of operation. In all considerations of this character, however, it must be remembered that the operating ratio depends upon two factors, expenses and earnings, and that a high or low operating ratio may point either to high or low expenses or to low or high earnings. Thus stated the proposition seems almost too obvious; yet there is the greatest danger that this obvious truth may escape consideration, and that the operating ratio may actually be regarded as determined solely by the factor of expense. As a rule, the operating ratio is lower in the larger cities than in small cities, owing largely to the fact that the density of traffic varies more or less directly with the density of population. As to expenses, it is undoubtedly true that wages per man range higher in the larger cities than in small cities or in rural dis-

tricts, and that interruptions to traffic and obstructions retarding speed on surface lines are more prevalent in the larger cities, all of which circumstances tend to increase the average operating expense; but the effect of these conditions upon the operating ratio is offset by the larger number of passengers carried per car mile and the greater amount of passenger income, due to the greater density of traffic. Moreover, the power plants of companies in the larger cities are much more generally equipped with appliances for lessening the cost of power than are the plants of companies in smaller communities, so that they are able to produce power at a low figure of expense per unit.

Extended comparisons of operating ratios are always difficult and often dangerous. Among the factors that tend to vitiate such comparisons in the census statistics is that of the nonrailway interests of some railway companies, such as the sale of electric current, the operation of pleasure resorts, etc. Again, of the railway business itself, freight, mail, and express are prominent elements in some cases and absent in others. Inter-urban railways are in many respects rather to be classed with steam railroads than with street and electric railways; and the conditions under which elevated and subway roads operate are so different from those under which surface lines operate that comparisons must be made only for limited purposes, and then with the greatest caution.

The following statement shows the operating ratios for all operating railway companies, by geographic divisions, for 1907 and 1902:

*Operating ratio of operating companies, by geographic divisions: 1907 and 1902.*

DIVISION.	OPERATING RATIO.	
	1907	1902
United States.....	60.1	57.5
North Atlantic.....	60.0	58.4
South Atlantic.....	57.1	54.6
North Central.....	59.0	56.3
South Central.....	60.6	58.7
Western.....	60.1	57.4

It should be remembered that the expense factor of the operating ratio does not include taxes, which are included with fixed charges in the census statistics.

It is evident that on the whole the forces that tend to raise the operating ratio outweighed the opposing factors in the census interval 1902 to 1907. The ratio increased for the United States as a whole and for every one of the geographic divisions. The largest increase occurred in the Western division and the smallest, in the North Atlantic. This general increase of the ratio is probably to be explained by the changed conditions both of expense and of earnings. On the one hand, the period was one of rapid development in new territory of low traffic density, whether by new lines in the

West and South and in little populous places in the other divisions, or by urban and interurban extensions. On the other hand, the period was one in which prices were steadily rising, raising the cost of materials and of labor.

The following statement, which shows the operating ratios in 1907 and 1902 for all the income classes of companies, is a further illustration of the fact that there has been a general increase in the operating ratio.

*Operating ratio of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.*

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	OPERATING RATIO.	
	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	60.1	57.5
Class A.....	58.4	54.8
Class B.....	60.0	57.7
Class C.....	63.1	60.9
Class D.....	64.1	64.3
Class E.....	72.1	70.8

With the exception of Class D, for which the percentage was slightly smaller in 1907 than in 1902, there was a decided increase in the ratios at the later census as compared with those for the earlier census.

At each census the operating ratios decreased progressively from a maximum for the smallest companies, those belonging to Class E, to a minimum for the largest companies, those belonging to Class A. In 1907 the high ratio for Class E is in part due to the fact that the roads operated by animal power all fall in this group, and also to the fact that of the 55 roads operated only for a portion of the year, 52 belong to this class, the other 3 belonging to Class D. The general decrease in operating ratio with increase of the business of the companies is probably due to the fact that the gradation of the companies in the various income groups corresponds roughly with the gradation of population of the areas in which they operate. As has been explained, increasing density of population generally means, on the one hand, increasing density of traffic, with resultant increase of earnings, and, on the other hand, the economies incident to large-scale organization of the work of operation.

The per cent ratio of net earnings from operation to total operating earnings is very obviously the complement of the operating ratio, and therefore just as the operating ratio regularly decreases, the net-earnings ratio regularly increases for the companies from Class E to Class A.

In order that further comparisons may be made, subject to the caution already given, further statements are presented, giving comparative exhibits of operating ratios of companies reporting net income and net deficits, respectively, and of companies "Without commercial lighting," "With commercial lighting," and "Part-time" companies.

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Operating ratio of companies reporting net income and net deficit: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	OPERATING RATIO.	
	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	60.1	57.5
Companies reporting net income.....	58.8	56.0
Companies reporting net deficit.....	64.7	67.5

Operating ratio of companies with and without commercial lighting and of part-time companies: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	OPERATING RATIO.	
	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	60.1	57.5
Without commercial lighting.....	60.0	57.4
With commercial lighting.....	60.3	58.1
Part-time companies.....	71.8	58.1

At the census of 1902 and again at the census of 1907 an analysis of companies was made on the basis of their operating ratios. The following table shows the number of companies that had operating ratios falling

TABLE 144.—DISTRIBUTION OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS, WITH RESPECT TO OPERATING RATIO: 1907.

OPERATING RATIO (PER CENT).	Total, all companies.	COMPANIES WITH INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS OF—				
		\$1,000,000 and over. (A)	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000. (B)	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000. (C)	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000. (D)	Less than \$100,000. (E)
Total.....	1 939	76	50	80	182	551
Under 50.....	78	12	7	3	16	40
50 but under 60.....	195	20	17	30	48	71
60 but under 70.....	263	21	18	28	61	135
70 but under 80.....	160	10	0	14	38	92
80 but under 90.....	109	4	2	4	10	80
90 and over.....	134			1	9	124

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

Of the 243 companies with an operating ratio of 80 per cent or over, 213 are of Class E and include most of the roads operated by animal power or for part of the year only, while 232 out of the 243 belong to Classes D and E.

The correlation between the magnitude of a company's operations and its operating ratio is closer than is apparent from an examination of the absolute numbers given in the table. When, however, the numbers of companies in the income-class columns are taken cumulatively from top to bottom and the sums expressed as cumulative percentages of the totals, the correlation is shown to be almost complete.

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within specified limits at the two censuses, and the absolute and relative increase in the number of companies reported for the respective ratio groups:

TABLE 143.—Distribution of operating companies with respect to operating ratio: 1907 and 1902.

OPERATING RATIO (PER CENT).	NUMBER OF COMPANIES.		Increase (number).
	1907	1902	
Total, all companies.....	1 939	1 799	140
Under 50.....	78	73	5
50 but under 60.....	195	169	26
60 but under 70.....	263	216	47
70 but under 80.....	160	121	39
80 but under 90.....	109	62	17
90 and over.....	134	128	6

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.  
<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 18 companies which failed to furnish this information.

The group of companies reporting an operating ratio of 60 per cent but under 70 contained the largest number of companies in any one group at both censuses, and it also showed the largest numerical increase.

Table 144 carries the analysis further and presents the distribution of the operating companies among both the income and operating ratio groups for 1907.

OPERATING RATIO (PER CENT).	PER CENT OF COMPANIES REPORTING SPECIFIED RATIO IN INCOME CLASS—				
	A	B	C	D	E
Under 50.....	16	14	4	9	7
Under 60.....	54	48	41	35	20
Under 70.....	82	84	76	69	45
Under 80.....	95	96	94	90	61
Under 90.....	100	100	99	95	77

The operating ratios for companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service, are given for 1907 in the following statement:



Operating ratio of companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service: 1907.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	Operating ratio.
Total, all companies.....	60.1
Kind of system:	
Electric elevated and subway railways.....	44.7
Electric surface railways.....	61.6
Character of service:	
Selected interurban lines.....	58.0
Selected small urban roads.....	80.7
All other railways.....	60.2

The electric elevated and subway lines, which show the lowest operating ratio of any class or group, are operated under conditions of maximum traffic density, and, on the other hand, the selected small urban roads, which show the highest operating ratio, are operated under conditions of minimum traffic density.

The distribution of these same classes of operating companies among the operating ratio groups is given in Table 145.

TABLE 145.—Distribution of operating companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service, with respect to operating ratio: 1907.

OPERATING RATIO (PER CENT.)	Total, all com- panies.	COMPANIES AC- CORDING TO KIND OF SYS- TEM.		COMPANIES ACCORDING TO CHARACTER OF SERVICE.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected inter- urban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Total.....	939	0	933	50	100	789
Under 50.....	78	3	75	3	4	71
50 but under 60.....	195	1	194	25	14	156
60 but under 70.....	263	2	261	15	18	230
70 but under 80.....	100	.....	100	0	14	140
80 but under 90.....	109	.....	109	1	18	90
90 and over.....	134	.....	134	.....	32	102

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

All the elevated and subway railways and over four-fifths of the selected interurban lines fall in the groups with an operating ratio of less than 70 per cent, while nearly two-thirds of the selected small urban roads have an operating ratio of 70 per cent or over.

Although the operating ratio varies from company to company within every state, yet the ratio of operating expenses to operating earnings of all the railways of a state regarded as a single system may perhaps in most cases be taken to represent a typical ratio for the state. These state ratios are included in Table 104, which gives the condensed income account of operating companies, grouped by states and geographic divisions; but for comparative purposes they are reproduced in the following statement. The states are ranked according to their operating ratios at the respective censuses. The ratio for the United States as a whole is calculated from elements so diverse that it has little statistical value, except as a standard of reference for the state averages.

Operating ratio, by states: 1907 and 1902.

1907		1902	
STATE.	Operating ratio.	STATE.	Operating ratio.
Arizona.....	83.8	Arizona.....	84.7
New Hampshire.....	82.3	Vermont.....	80.7
Nevada.....	70.9	New Hampshire.....	70.3
Montana.....	72.6	Mississippi.....	74.3
Vermont.....	71.1	Montana.....	74.2
California.....	70.5	North Carolina.....	73.7
Florida.....	70.0	Maine.....	73.1
New Mexico.....	69.7	Delaware.....	72.1
Massachusetts.....	68.5	New Mexico.....	71.5
Delaware.....	68.3	Massachusetts.....	69.5
Alabama.....	67.0	Kansas.....	69.4
Connecticut.....	66.8	South Carolina.....	69.7
Iowa.....	65.8	Virginia.....	65.0
Maine.....	65.6	Connecticut.....	64.7
Mississippi.....	65.4	Texas.....	64.2
North Dakota.....	65.3	Florida.....	61.1
Washington.....	65.1	Rhode Island.....	63.8
Texas.....	63.7	Utah.....	63.6
Oklahoma.....	63.4	Oregon.....	62.7
Illinois.....	63.3	Washington.....	62.0
Virginia.....	63.3	Iowa.....	61.3
North Carolina.....	62.7	Idaho.....	60.9
Rhode Island.....	61.9	Louisiana.....	60.4
Idaho.....	61.8	West Virginia.....	59.2
Utah.....	61.5	Alabama.....	58.7
New Jersey.....	61.3	Colorado.....	58.4
Ohio.....	60.8	Illinois.....	58.4
West Virginia.....	60.1	Arkansas.....	58.2
United States.....	60.1	Indiana.....	58.2
Oregon.....	60.0	Tennessee.....	57.8
South Carolina.....	59.9	United States.....	57.5
Michigan.....	59.8	Nebraska.....	57.1
Louisiana.....	59.5	Missouri.....	56.8
Kentucky.....	59.2	New York.....	56.8
Pennsylvania.....	58.2	Michigan.....	56.3
New York.....	58.7	Ohio.....	55.1
Indiana.....	56.2	California.....	54.2
Arkansas.....	56.2	Kentucky.....	53.2
Georgia.....	55.4	New Jersey.....	53.1
Tennessee.....	54.8	District of Columbia.....	52.0
Kansas.....	53.8	Georgia.....	51.9
Missouri.....	53.8	Pennsylvania.....	51.5
District of Columbia.....	52.9	Wisconsin.....	51.1
Wisconsin.....	52.7	Maryland.....	47.2
South Dakota.....	52.5	Minnesota.....	46.1
Colorado.....	50.8		
Maryland.....	50.2		
Minnesota.....	50.0		
Nebraska.....	48.4		

The average for the United States as a whole shows an increase from 57.5 per cent in 1902 to 60.1 per cent in 1907, or an absolute increase of 2.6, while the range of the ratios or the difference between the maximum and the minimum ratio has contracted. In 1902 the difference between the lowest and the highest percentage was 38.6 and in 1907, 35.4, a contraction of range amounting to 3.2. Increases in operating ratios appear for 20 states and reductions for 24 of the states that reported railways at both censuses. In 1907, however, 21 of the states showed a ratio equal to or below the average for the United States, while in 1902 but 14 states showed a ratio below the average for the country as a whole. The increases predominate slightly in the states of the South Atlantic and North Central divisions, and reductions in the states of the North Atlantic, South Central, and Western divisions. The greatest increase in the operating ratio appears for California, from 54.2 per cent in 1902 to 70.5 per cent in 1907, a total increase of 16.3. This is probably accounted for by the San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906, which destroyed a vast amount of railway property and made operating conditions in and about San Francisco abnormal throughout 1907, and also by the large development in the southern and northern parts of the state of interurban traffic, which carried with it a comparatively high operating ratio. The





groups with a lower operating ratio and smaller in those showing a high ratio.

The effect of density of traffic upon operating expenses appears also when the per cent ratios of operating expenses and deductions from income to total expenses are studied in connection with the number of passengers per mile of track. Of roads operating under conditions otherwise similar, those carrying a great number of passengers per mile of track report a relatively small amount for operating expenses, and a relatively large amount for fixed charges, as compared with roads of low traffic density. For roads operating in sparsely settled districts, the importance of the labor cost as a factor in the expenses is relatively greater, while the importance of the fixed charges is relatively less than for roads operating in densely populated districts. This is illustrated in Table 148, which shows the respective ratios of operating expenses and fixed charges to their total, for the various income classes of roads, and also the fare passengers per mile of track for these classes.

TABLE 148.—Complementary ratios of operating expenses and deductions from income, and passengers per mile of track, of companies, classified according to income from railway operations: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	1907			1902		
	Fare passengers per mile of track.	Per cent of total expenses represented by—		Fare passengers per mile of track.	Per cent of total expenses represented by—	
		Operating expenses.	Deductions from income.		Operating expenses.	Deductions from income.
Total, all companies.....	216,522	64.5	35.5	212,217	64.7	35.3
Class A.....	361,701	63.0	37.0	399,068	61.8	38.2
Class B.....	133,370	64.8	35.2	182,541	67.1	32.9
Class C.....	112,476	68.4	31.6	125,607	69.1	30.9
Class D.....	91,371	69.2	30.8	97,707	71.4	28.6
Class E.....	59,741	72.7	27.3	59,790	75.2	24.8

## VI.

### BALANCE SHEET.

The balance sheets furnished to the Census Bureau are supposed to show the financial condition of the companies at the end of the year or other period covered by the reports. It was manifestly not within the province of the bureau to question the accuracy of these statements or to endeavor to ascertain whether the proper amounts had been reported for the assets and liabilities. Undoubtedly different methods of bookkeeping are reflected in the balance sheets, and it is probable that part of the assets recorded for some companies are of questionable value. It is seldom, however, that a company underestimates the value of its assets, and therefore the combination of the balance sheets for the different companies doubtless re-

sults in a much larger total than would be obtained from a conservative valuation of the properties.

There were 6 companies in 1907 and 20 in 1902 that failed to furnish balance sheets. The statements furnished by all the other companies are combined in Table 149.

TABLE 149.—Net balance sheet, by accounts, of operating and lessor companies combined: 1907 and 1902.

ACCOUNT.	1907		1902	
	Amount.	Per cent of total.	Amount.	Per cent of total.
Number of companies.....	1,230	.....	967	.....
Assets, total.....	\$4,263,861,592	100.0	\$2,533,847,258	100.0
Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.....	3,037,008,708	85.3	2,167,634,077	85.5
Stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies.....	210,342,592	4.9	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....
Treasury stocks and bonds.....	27,553,501	0.6	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....
Other permanent investments.....	136,768,104	3.2	152,513,997	6.0
Cash on hand.....	20,450,137	0.6	28,021,853	1.1
Bills and accounts receivable.....	116,608,957	2.7	22,448,700	0.9
Supplies.....	30,811,390	0.7	10,610,928	0.4
Sundries.....	77,092,293	1.8	152,617,703	6.0
Liabilities, total.....	4,263,861,592	100.0	2,533,847,258	100.0
Capital stock.....	2,031,986,366	47.7	1,260,883,289	50.0
Funded debt.....	1,072,959,930	39.2	974,112,422	38.4
Real-estate mortgages.....	4,050,805	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....
Floating debt.....	278,927,087	6.5	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....
Reserves.....	27,222,471	0.6	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....
Bills and accounts payable.....	91,241,278	2.1	101,704,634	4.0
Interest due and accrued.....	25,317,196	0.6	14,497,070	0.6
Dividends due.....	3,900,390	0.1	2,543,823	0.1
Sundries.....	57,793,707	1.4	133,399,308	5.3
Net surplus.....	70,444,292	1.7	40,706,112	1.6
Cost of construction and equipment during the year.....	184,018,453	.....	126,082,473	.....

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Not reported separately. Included in "Other permanent investments."

<sup>4</sup> Not reported.

<sup>5</sup> Not reported separately. Probably included in "Bills and accounts payable" and "Sundries."

The very general adoption of the standard classification of accounts and form of report prescribed by the American Street and Interurban Railway Accountants' Association has tended toward uniformity in methods of bookkeeping, and while the balance sheets furnished by the companies in 1907 were not in all cases complete, they were, as a rule, much more satisfactory than in 1902.

Table 149 is designated a "Net balance sheet" because the surplus shown under liabilities is a net surplus obtained by deducting the sum of the deficits from the sum of the surpluses, the total assets and liabilities reported being reduced, therefore, by an amount equal to the sum of the deficits. This reduction has been made in all balance-sheet tables except in the comparative summary by states (Table 155).

Assets.—The amount reported for cost of construction and equipment should not be taken as representing the actual amount invested in tracks, appliances, and equipment. The consolidations that took place during the five years ending with 1907 made it increasingly difficult to secure a true figure for actual cost of construction and equipment. In 1902 franchise val-

ues were largely carried as sundries, but it is a very common practice to charge these values to cost of construction and equipment. A majority of the street-railway systems in the larger cities are the results of many consolidations, and the turning over of the property in each instance has carried with it a large but unknown value for franchises, good will, etc., so that a considerable proportion of the cost of construction and equipment appearing in the returns for these companies represents capitalized franchise values, etc. Hence, in order to secure uniformity in the returns, in the exceptional cases where franchise values were reported separately they have been added to the cost of construction and equipment; the latter amount then represents the book value of the railway, its equipment and real estate used in conjunction therewith, and its capitalized franchise value, bonus, good will, etc. Of the 1,230 companies that furnished balance sheets in 1907, only 594 stated definitely that franchise values were included under this head, while 404 expressly stated that they were not so included, and 232 neglected or declined to answer the inquiry. The amount reported as cost of construction represents almost exactly the same proportion of the total assets in 1907 as in 1902, the difference in the ratios being only one-fifth of 1 per cent. The increase in the amount reported was 67.8 per cent, as compared with an increase of 68.3 per cent in the total assets. The balance-sheet inquiry in 1902 used only the one head "Other permanent investments" to cover items that in 1907 were reported separately under the headings "Stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies" and "Other permanent investments." The total amount reported for these two items in 1907 was \$347,110,696 as compared with a total of \$152,513,997 for "Other permanent investments" in 1902, an increase of \$194,596,699, or 127.6 per cent. Such investments constituted 8.1 per cent of the total assets reported in 1907 and 6 per cent of the total for 1902.

When treasury stocks and bonds were reported under that name in 1902 they were excluded in the census of that year from among assets or liabilities. They have been included in the census of 1907, because it was found that it is the bookkeeping practice of the companies so to include them, and it was believed that the difficulties of eliminating them would be greater than any argument for such a policy. Moreover, it is desirable that the statistics should measure the extent and movement of this apparently increasing business practice.<sup>1</sup>

The item of bills and accounts receivable shows a very large increase for 1907 over 1902 (419.3 per cent), and constitutes 2.7 per cent of the assets in 1907, as against nine-tenths of 1 per cent in 1902. It is very probable that in some cases advances made by operating companies to lessor companies for improvements

on their lines or for other purposes are included under this head. In 1902 such advances were included under sundries, and the same course was followed in 1907 whenever the reports permitted it. These advances constitute duplications, since the expenditures for which the advances are made are entered on the asset side of the account, under cost of construction and equipment, in the books and reports of the subsidiary companies, while they are also represented among the liabilities of these companies as obligations to the controlling companies. The items cash on hand, bills and accounts receivable, and supplies, representing, collectively, the working assets, amounted in the aggregate to \$173,836,484 in 1907 as compared with \$61,081,481 in 1902 (an increase of \$112,755,003, or 184.6 per cent), and constituted 4 per cent of the total assets in 1907 as compared with 2.4 per cent in 1902.

The amount shown for the assets item "Sundries" in 1907 is practically one-half as great as that shown in 1902. This great decrease is fully explained by the fact that franchise values were generally tabulated under sundries in 1902, while in 1907 they have been included under cost of construction and equipment. Working backward from the total for sundries in 1907, and assuming, for the purpose of calculation, that sundries exclusive of franchise values really increased between 1902 and 1907 at the same rate as the total assets reported, 68.3 per cent, we should reach the deduction that sundries exclusive of franchises were valued in 1902 at \$46,162,925, and hence that franchise values reported under sundries were \$106,454,778. Adding this latter amount to the total reported in 1902 for cost of construction and equipment gives as a corrected total for that year \$2,274,088,855, an amount more properly comparable with the total for 1907, which includes franchise values. The increase for this item, on the corrected basis, would be 60 per cent instead of the 67.8 per cent increase shown by the figures of Table 149.

Investments in securities for the purpose of establishing a sinking fund or a fund for a specified railway use have been largely included under sundries.

*Liabilities.*—The amount of capital stock, as reported in the balance sheet, is less by the sum of \$65,722,490 than the amount of capital stock outstanding as reported in Table 183, and the funded debt as carried in the balance sheet is \$4,103,310 less than the aggregate amount of funded debt reported in the same table. The difference, in the case of the capital stock, is due chiefly to the fact that in a number of cases the capital stock outstanding is not full paid up, the par value of the stock being reported as called for under Table 183, and the amount paid in being entered among the liabilities in the balance sheet. This condition exists to the largest extent in Pennsylvania, and \$39,190,998 of the difference referred to is due to companies in that state which

<sup>1</sup> For fuller discussion of this point, see p. 103.

had part-paid stock. Differences to the amount of \$6,865,724, due to part-paid stock, also occur in Arizona, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, and Ohio. Differences aggregating \$1,865,768 are due to the fact that cash investments for which stock had not yet been issued were reported in Table 183 as if they represented stock actually issued, and in the balance sheet as floating debt. These differences were reported in Missouri, South Dakota, Virginia, and West Virginia. The balance of the difference in stock and the difference in funded debt is occasioned by the fact that for 4 companies in Virginia in the hands of receivers the par value of the outstanding securities is included in Table 183, and the value of the property turned over to the receivers is shown in the balance sheet as funded debt.

In 1902 the differences between the capital stocks and bonds reported in the balance sheets and the stocks and bonds outstanding were \$48,689,671 and \$18,596,717, respectively; of this difference in stock, \$28,299,371 was reported for Pennsylvania.

The ratio of capital stock to total liabilities has decreased slightly, and the corresponding ratio of funded debt has increased. The increase from 1902 to 1907 in the amount of capital stock reported in the balance sheet was 60.4 per cent and in the funded debt, 71.7 per cent. Of the total shown in 1907 for funded debt, \$30,629,091 represents the value of several railway properties in Connecticut which are owned by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad (steam) and for which no capital stock or bonds were reported. In 1907, for the first time, a detailed statement of real-estate mortgages, floating debt, and reserves, apart from bills and accounts payable, was made. In 1902 these items were included either under

bills and accounts payable or under sundries. The apparent decrease, therefore, in bills and accounts payable and in sundries is not an actual decrease. For purposes of comparison it is necessary to combine the bills and accounts payable and the sundries for 1902, and for 1907 to combine the same items, with the addition of the real-estate mortgages; floating debt, and reserves. This calculation gives a total of \$459,244,418 for 1907 as against the comparable total of \$235,103,942 for 1902, an increase of \$224,140,476, or 95.3 per cent. These totals constituted 10.7 per cent of total liabilities in 1907 as compared with 9.3 per cent in 1902.

The large amount shown for floating debt, which in 1907 formed 6.5 per cent of all liabilities, is due to a great extent to the fact that many companies charge to that account part or all of their expenditures for construction and equipment.

The items interest due and accrued, dividends due, and net surplus, represented, respectively, about the same proportion of the total liabilities in 1907 and in 1902. The net surplus represents the balance for all companies; 710 companies in 1907 reported surplus balances aggregating \$106,623,225; 303 companies deficits to the amount of \$36,178,933; and 217 companies balanced their statements with neither profit and loss surplus nor deficit, leaving a net surplus balance of \$70,444,292.

*Balance sheet of operating and lessor companies.*—While it is necessary to combine the statistics for operating and lessor companies in order to obtain aggregates for the entire industry, the financial transactions of the two classes of companies are so different that it is desirable to present a separate balance sheet for each. The figures are given in Table 150.

TABLE 150.—NET BALANCE SHEET, BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING AND LESSOR COMPANIES, RESPECTIVELY: 1907.

ACCOUNT.	Total, all companies.	Operating companies.	Lessor companies.	PER CENT OF TOTAL.	
				Operating companies.	Lessor companies.
Number of companies.....	1 1,230	1 939	201	76.3	23.7
Assets, total.....	\$4,263,861,592	\$3,221,069,127	\$1,042,792,465	75.5	24.5
Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.....	3,037,068,708	2,710,051,703	918,017,005	74.7	25.3
Stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies.....	210,342,592	180,941,984	29,400,608	86.0	14.0
Treasury stocks and bonds.....	27,553,501	10,389,042	8,164,459	70.4	29.6
Other permanent investments.....	130,708,104	129,472,501	7,295,543	94.7	5.3
Cash on hand.....	26,456,137	23,840,150	2,600,987	90.1	9.9
Bills and accounts receivable.....	116,508,987	81,114,310	35,454,647	69.0	30.4
Supplies.....	30,811,300	30,505,902	245,428	99.2	0.8
Sundries.....	77,092,203	36,687,415	41,004,788	47.2	52.8
Liabilities, total.....	4,263,861,592	3,221,069,127	1,042,792,465	75.5	24.5
Capital stock.....	2,031,986,360	1,508,759,290	523,227,070	74.3	25.7
Funded debt.....	1,072,959,930	1,204,504,002	408,455,808	75.6	24.4
Real-estate mortgages.....	4,050,805	2,342,341	1,717,464	57.7	42.3
Floating debt.....	278,927,097	222,867,837	56,059,260	79.9	20.1
Reserves.....	27,222,471	27,109,482	52,989	99.8	0.2
Bills and accounts payable.....	61,241,278	83,830,057	7,411,221	91.9	8.1
Interest due and accrued.....	25,317,196	24,316,053	1,001,143	96.0	4.0
Dividends due.....	3,009,390	3,842,502	60,888	98.3	1.7
Sundries.....	87,793,767	41,887,790	15,905,998	72.5	27.5
Net surplus.....	70,444,292	41,549,734	28,894,558	59.0	41.0
Cost of construction and equipment during the year.....	184,918,453	170,440,513	14,477,940	92.2	7.8

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

The lessor companies represent approximately one-fourth and the operating companies three-fourths of the combined main balance-sheet totals. This ratio holds substantially for the number of companies, the total assets and liabilities, the cost of construction, equipment, and real estate, and the capitalization.

The holdings of the operating companies in stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies are proportionately far greater than those of the lessor companies, owing to the fact that many of the operating companies have large and, in some cases, controlling interests in leased properties. The bulk of the investment of the lessor companies in the stocks and bonds of other railway companies is confined to a comparatively few companies; of the 291 lessor companies, only 28 reported such investments, and of the total amount, \$29,400,608, thus reported, \$25,889,788, or nearly 90 per cent, was returned by 4 companies, 2 in New York and 2 in Pennsylvania. Of the operating companies, 108 owned stocks and bonds in other electric-railway companies.

The holdings of the lessor companies in treasury stocks and bonds were proportionately greater than those of the operating companies; but in this case, too, the total holdings were not widely distributed among them. Of the 291 lessor companies, only 9 reported treasury stocks and bonds, and of the total amount, \$8,164,459, shown for this item, more than 90 per cent was reported by 2 companies, 1 of which has part of its road still under construction, while the other has a large floating debt, which offsets its treasury stock and bond assets. The holdings of operating companies in treasury stocks and bonds, on the other hand, were distributed among 76 companies, and were largely offset by floating-debt liabilities incident to railway operations.

As the table shows, the interests of the lessor companies are as a rule confined to the railway properties owned, their investments in nonrailway properties constituting only seven-tenths of 1 per cent of their total assets. Only 15 lessor companies reported permanent investments in nonrailway properties in 1907, and of the total amount, more than three-fourths was reported by 3 companies—1 each in Connecticut, New York, and Washington. There were, on the other hand, 198 operating companies reporting nonrailway investments. Summarizing, it is found that there were 349 companies—304 operating companies and 45 lessor companies—that reported holdings of some one or more of the three investment items.

The items "Cash on hand" and "Supplies" are important chiefly for the operating companies. The cash receipts of the lessor companies are as a rule disbursed as dividends, after the payment of taxes, interest, other charges, and administration expenses, and the cash assets regularly on hand are therefore small. Of the 291 lessor companies, only 112 reported any cash on hand in the balance sheet, and, of the total for these

companies, 70 per cent was reported by a single company. Only 8 of the lessor companies reported any amount for supplies, and of the total amount so reported, over 80 per cent was reported by 2 companies. There were 42 of the lessor companies that reported sundry assets in the balance sheet. Of the total amount reported as sundries by lessor companies, over 90 per cent was reported by 6 companies located, respectively, 1 in New York, 1 in Ohio, and 4 in Pennsylvania; and nearly 85 per cent of the total represents claims for advances made to leased lines by the 4 Pennsylvania companies. This increase of the sundries item by the inclusion of such claims for advances by the lessors fully explains the disproportionately great amount of sundries shown for the lessor companies as compared with the operating companies.

The distribution between the operating and the lessor companies is nearly the same, proportionately, for the items capital stock and funded debt. There were 98 lessor companies and 158 operating companies that reported no funded debt; 18 of these companies reported that funded debt was authorized but that none was outstanding.

Real-estate mortgages were reported by 16 of the lessor companies and the liabilities of this class are relatively heavier for the lessor than for the operating companies. Floating debt was reported by 86 lessor companies; reserves, by 8; bills and accounts payable, by 67; interest due and accrued, by 22; and dividends due, by 4.

Only 42 lessor companies reported sundry liabilities, the bulk of which represented amounts due to lessee companies for advances made for improvements, betterments, and additions to the properties of the lessors. Of the total amount reported as sundries, \$13,279,042, or over 80 per cent, was reported by 5 lessor companies of New York City. The net surplus shown for the lessor companies is the difference between an aggregate surplus of \$32,201,859, reported by 122 companies, and an aggregate deficit of \$3,307,301, reported by 38 companies, the other 131 lessor companies reporting neither surplus nor deficit. Of the lessor companies reporting deficits, 15 were in Pennsylvania; 11 in New York; 6 in Massachusetts; 2 each in New Hampshire and New Jersey; and 1 each in Illinois and Maryland.

One of the most interesting and significant features of this comparative showing of the net balance-sheet statements of lessor and operating companies appears in the net surplus account. The lessor companies, though representing less than one-fourth of the number of all companies, and though reporting only about one-fourth of the capital stock and funded debt of all companies, reported 41 per cent of the total net surplus.

The net surplus shown for all operating companies is the difference between an aggregate surplus of \$74,421,366, reported by 588 companies, and an

aggregate deficit of \$32,871,632, reported by 265 companies—the other 86 operating companies reporting neither surplus nor deficit.

The following statement presents a detailed statement of surpluses and deficits in tabular form:

*Analysis of balance-sheet surplus and deficit balances: 1907.*

	Total, all companies.	Operating companies.	Lessor companies.	PER CENT OF TOTAL.	
				Operating companies.	Lessor companies.
Number of companies.....	1,230	939	291	76.3	23.7
Net surplus.....	\$70,444,202	\$41,549,734	\$28,894,558	59.0	41.0
Surplus:					
Number of companies.....	710	583	127	82.8	17.2
Per cent of total.....	57.7	62.6	41.9		
Amount.....	\$106,623,225	\$74,421,366	\$32,201,859	69.8	30.2
Deficit:					
Number of companies.....	303	265	38	87.5	12.5
Per cent of total.....	24.0	28.2	13.1		
Amount.....	\$36,178,633	\$32,871,632	\$3,307,001	90.9	9.1
Neither surplus nor deficit:					
Number of companies.....	217	86	131	39.0	60.4
Per cent of total.....	17.6	9.2	45.0		

The per cent distribution of the total assets and the liabilities, respectively, among the several accounts, for operating and lessor companies separately, is given in the following table for 1907:

**TABLE 151.**—*Per cent distribution, by accounts, of the total assets and liabilities, for operating and lessor companies, respectively: 1907.*

ACCOUNT.	PER CENT OF TOTAL.		
	Total, all companies.	Operating companies.	Lessor companies.
Assets, total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.....	85.3	84.4	88.1
Stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies.....	4.0	5.6	2.8
Treasury stocks and bonds.....	0.6	0.6	0.8
Other permanent investments.....	3.2	4.0	0.7
Cash on hand.....	0.6	0.7	0.3
Bills and accounts receivable.....	2.7	2.5	3.4
Supplies.....	0.7	0.9	( <sup>1</sup> )
Sundries.....	1.8	1.1	3.0
Liabilities, total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0
Capital stock.....	47.7	46.8	50.2
Funded debt.....	39.2	39.3	39.2
Real-estate mortgages.....	0.1	0.1	0.2
Floating debt.....	0.6	6.0	5.4
Reserves.....	0.6	0.8	( <sup>1</sup> )
Bills and accounts payable.....	2.1	2.6	0.7
Interest due and accrued.....	0.6	0.8	0.1
Dividends due.....	0.1	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
Sundries.....	1.4	1.3	1.5
Net surplus.....	1.7	1.3	2.8

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

**Cost of construction and equipment during the year.**—The amount reported for the cost of construction and equipment during the year 1907, shown in Tables 149 and 150, represents actual expenditures reported by going concerns; it does not include the cost of new roads that had not begun operation at the end of the census year.<sup>1</sup> The total expenditure of \$184,918,453 as compared with \$126,682,473 reported for 1902, shows an increase in the cost of new construction of \$58,235,980,

<sup>1</sup> For statistics of railways under construction during the census year, see p. 27.

or 46 per cent. Expenditures for new construction and equipment were reported in 1907 by 816 companies, of which 756 were operating companies and 60 were lessor companies. In other words, 66.3 per cent of all companies reporting financial data reported new construction or equipment. For 1902 the cost of new construction and equipment reported was equal to 5.8 per cent of the total cost of construction and equipment, and for 1907, to 5.1 per cent. The larger part of this expenditure was made by operating companies, their expenditures of this class in 1907 amounting to 6.3 per cent of their total expenditures for construction and equipment, while the corresponding expenditures of the lessor companies for 1907 amounted only to 1.6 per cent. The cost of construction and equipment for the year was included in the total cost of construction and equipment, as presented in the balance-sheet statements; the value of unfinished new work, which is carried temporarily as a separate asset by some companies, was also included in the total cost of construction and equipment.

**Balance sheet, by states.**—Table 155 is a comparative summary of the balance sheets of all operating and lessor companies, by states and geographic divisions, for 1907 and 1902. It will be noticed that there are slight differences in the United States totals for 1902 for "Net deficit for states showing deficit" and "Net surplus for states showing surplus" given in this table and the corresponding totals published in the 1902 report. These differences result from a difference in the method of combining state totals in 1907 and 1902, respectively.

The gains have been proportionately greatest in the Western, South Central, and North Central divisions, in the order named. Ranked according to the per cent of increase, from 1902 to 1907, in total assets and liabilities, the 10 leading states are the following:

*Ten leading states, ranked according to per cent of increase in assets and liabilities from 1902 to 1907.*

STATE.	Per cent of increase.	STATE.	Per cent of increase.
Oregon.....	537.8	Washington.....	289.7
Mississippi.....	590.3	California.....	255.4
Kansas.....	372.8	Louisiana.....	251.4
Arkansas.....	330.2	Nebraska.....	191.1
Indiana.....	310.0	Virginia.....	169.0

The 10 leading states, ranked according to the absolute amount of increase in assets and liabilities, are the following:

*Ten leading states, ranked according to amount of increase in assets and liabilities from 1902 to 1907.*

STATE.	Amount of increase.	STATE.	Amount of increase.
New York.....	\$231,451,900	Illinois.....	\$129,832,400
California.....	210,997,729	Louisiana.....	60,538,962
Ohio.....	199,327,856	Washington.....	58,067,109
Pennsylvania.....	174,501,128	Massachusetts.....	42,710,350
Indiana.....	134,716,055	Wisconsin.....	39,442,718



A condensation of the balance-sheet statistics gives a more comprehensive view than that offered by Table 155. The following table gives a condensed balance-sheet summary, by geographic divisions. On the assets side, the item "Permanent or other investments" includes, for both 1902 and 1907, the holdings of stocks and bonds of other railway companies and other permanent investments in nonrailway property; and for 1907 it also includes treasury stocks and

bonds. The item "Current assets" includes, for both years, cash, bills and accounts receivable, supplies, and sundries. Among the liabilities, the item "Current liabilities" comprehends all liabilities other than surplus, and capital stock and funded debt, the latter two being grouped together under the head "Capitalization." The profit-and-loss surplus is in every case the net surplus.

TABLE 152.—CONDENSED NET BALANCE SHEET OF OPERATING AND LESSOR COMPANIES COMBINED, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

DIVISION.	Census.	Number of companies.	Total, assets and liabilities.	ASSETS.			LIABILITIES.			Cost of construction and equipment during the year.
				Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.	Permanent or other investments.	Current assets.	Capitalization. <sup>1</sup>	Current liabilities, including reserves.	Net profit-and-loss surplus.	
United States.....	1907	21,230	\$4,263,801,592	\$3,637,668,708	\$374,604,197	\$251,528,687	\$3,704,940,296	\$488,471,004	\$70,444,292	\$184,918,453
Per cent of increase.....	1902	1,907	\$2,533,847,268	\$2,107,034,077	\$152,513,997	\$213,600,184	\$2,240,995,711	\$252,145,435	\$40,706,112	\$126,682,473
		27.2	68.3	67.8	145.7	17.7	65.3	93.7	73.1	46.0
North Atlantic.....	1907	505	\$1,822,724,800	\$1,552,220,534	\$118,010,055	\$152,488,217	\$1,535,055,178	\$200,459,042	\$27,210,580	\$67,302,291
Per cent of increase.....	1902	509	\$1,204,803,331	\$1,088,032,237	\$72,094,043	\$133,830,451	\$1,095,406,398	\$173,401,097	\$25,906,236	\$74,118,898
		16.9	40.7	42.6	63.7	13.9	40.1	60.1	4.8	49.1
South Atlantic.....	1907	110	\$288,032,714	\$242,357,000	\$32,955,988	\$12,718,757	\$260,023,079	\$21,000,176	\$6,400,450	\$10,292,234
Per cent of increase.....	1902	77	\$176,131,036	\$102,507,589	\$6,063,844	\$6,500,203	\$167,107,079	\$6,072,848	\$1,051,709	\$5,641,650
		42.9	64.6	49.1	443.5	93.9	55.6	209.8	500.4	82.4
North Central.....	1907	340	\$1,426,022,464	\$1,251,383,720	\$135,078,009	\$38,900,000	\$1,283,038,541	\$121,528,001	\$21,454,962	\$60,013,038
Per cent of increase.....	1902	248	\$824,456,338	\$705,553,933	\$68,599,146	\$50,332,259	\$759,442,745	\$57,348,903	\$7,093,090	\$36,140,029
		37.1	73.0	77.4	97.8	422.6	68.9	111.0	178.0	60.1
South Central.....	1907	91	\$247,011,745	\$203,085,871	\$35,401,790	\$9,304,084	\$219,253,047	\$22,362,100	\$6,205,038	\$10,306,115
Per cent of increase.....	1902	66	\$103,203,411	\$87,294,802	\$1,806,741	\$14,101,808	\$93,509,900	\$7,202,188	\$2,431,323	\$4,346,289
		37.9	140.1	132.6	1,700.7	433.6	134.3	207.9	150.0	138.5
Western.....	1907	94	\$479,109,803	\$388,020,605	\$52,551,695	\$7,997,563	\$407,575,851	\$62,520,605	\$9,073,347	\$36,854,775
Per cent of increase.....	1902	67	\$130,103,542	\$123,345,456	\$3,889,623	\$8,868,403	\$125,409,589	\$7,069,799	\$3,564,154	\$6,435,007
		40.3	252.1	215.1	1,251.1	328.5	224.8	784.3	154.0	472.7

<sup>1</sup> Includes capital stock and funded debt.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>4</sup> Decrease.

There is a regular progression in the rates of increase in total assets and liabilities of the several geographic divisions in the order in which they occur in the table, starting with an increase of 40.7 per cent for the North Atlantic division, and reaching 252.1 per cent for the Western division; the same progression appears also for cost of construction, equipment, and real estate, and for capitalization; which, respectively, constitute the major part of the assets and the liabilities.

In the matter of number of companies the rates of increase are nearly the same for the South Atlantic, North Central, South Central, and Western divisions, and in each of these divisions the rate is more than double that for the North Atlantic division. "Permanent or other investments" show gains in all divisions largely in excess, proportionately, of the gains in cost of construction, equipment, and real estate, and, although the largest absolute increase in "Permanent or other investments" was in the North Central division, the large rates of increase in this item were reported for the South Central and Western divisions. The increase in current assets in the states of the Western division exceeds that of any other division in both rate and amount.

On the liability side of the statement it will be seen that the current liabilities have increased in all divi-

sions at a faster rate than the capitalization, with the highest rate of increase in the Western division.

The rate of increase in the profit-and-loss surplus is high for each of the divisions, with the exception of the North Atlantic. For the United States, this rate is slightly higher than the rate of increase in the total assets and liabilities, while for the South Atlantic division it largely exceeds the rates of increase for the other divisions.

The high rates of increase shown for the Western division in the several items included in the balance sheet appear also for the cost of new construction and equipment during the year, which showed a greater amount and rate of increase for 1907 as compared with 1902 in this division than in any other. In the North Atlantic division the cost of new construction was less in 1907 than in 1902.

The following percentage tables are presented to supplement the foregoing condensed balance-sheet summary. Table 153 gives the per cent distribution of the number of companies, the assets and liabilities, and the cost of new construction and equipment during the year, by geographic divisions, for 1907 and 1902; Table 154 gives the per cent distribution of the assets and liabilities of each geographic division, by condensed accounts for the same years.



## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 153.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION OF CONDENSED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

DIVISION.	Census.	Number of companies.	PER CENT OF TOTAL FOR UNITED STATES.							Cost of construction and equipment during the year.
			Assets.				Liabilities.			
			Total assets and liabilities.	Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.	Permanent or other investments.	Current assets.	Capitalization. <sup>1</sup>	Current liabilities, including reserves.	Net profit-and-loss surplus.	
United States.....	1907	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	1902	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
North Atlantic.....	1907	48.4	42.7	42.7	31.5	60.6	41.4	53.3	38.6	30.4
	1902	52.6	51.1	50.2	47.3	62.6	48.9	68.8	63.8	58.5
South Atlantic.....	1907	8.9	6.8	6.7	8.8	5.1	7.0	4.4	9.1	5.6
	1902	8.0	6.9	7.5	4.0	3.1	7.5	2.8	2.6	4.5
North Central.....	1907	27.6	33.4	34.4	36.2	15.5	34.6	24.9	30.5	32.5
	1902	25.6	32.5	32.5	45.0	23.6	33.9	22.7	18.9	28.5
South Central.....	1907	7.4	5.8	5.6	9.5	3.7	5.9	4.6	8.9	5.6
	1902	6.8	4.1	4.0	1.2	0.6	4.2	2.9	6.0	3.4
Western.....	1907	7.6	11.2	10.7	14.0	15.1	11.0	12.8	12.9	19.9
	1902	6.9	5.4	5.7	2.6	4.1	5.6	2.8	8.8	5.1

<sup>1</sup> Capital stock and funded debt.

TABLE 154.—PER CENT DISTRIBUTION, BY ACCOUNTS, OF CONDENSED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

DIVISION.	Census.	PER CENT OF TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.							Cost of construction and equipment during the year; per cent of total cost of construction and equipment.
		Total assets and liabilities.	Assets.			Liabilities.			
			Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.	Permanent or other investments.	Current assets.	Capitalization. <sup>1</sup>	Current liabilities, including reserves.	Net profit-and-loss surplus.	
United States.....	1907	100.0	85.8	8.8	5.9	80.9	11.5	1.7	5.1
	1902	100.0	85.5	0.0	8.4	88.4	10.0	1.0	5.8
North Atlantic.....	1907	100.0	85.2	6.5	8.4	84.2	14.3	1.5	4.3
	1902	100.0	84.1	5.6	10.3	84.6	13.4	2.0	6.8
South Atlantic.....	1907	100.0	84.1	11.4	4.4	90.3	7.5	2.2	4.2
	1902	100.0	92.8	3.5	3.7	95.4	4.0	0.6	3.5
North Central.....	1907	100.0	87.8	9.5	2.7	90.0	8.5	1.5	4.8
	1902	100.0	85.0	8.3	6.1	92.1	7.0	0.9	5.1
South Central.....	1907	100.0	81.9	14.3	3.8	88.4	9.0	2.5	5.1
	1902	100.0	84.5	1.8	13.7	90.6	7.0	2.4	5.0
Western.....	1907	100.0	81.1	11.0	7.9	85.1	13.0	1.9	9.5
	1902	100.0	90.6	2.9	6.5	92.2	5.2	2.6	5.2

<sup>1</sup> Capital stock and funded debt.

It appears from Table 153 that the North Atlantic division had a smaller proportion of the total number of companies in 1907 than in 1902, while all the other divisions had larger proportions; and the same is true of current liabilities, profit-and-loss surplus, and cost of new construction during the year. The North Central, South Central, and Western divisions show larger proportions of the total cost of construction, equipment, and real estate, and of capitalization reported, as well as of the total assets and liabilities, in 1907 than in 1902, while the percentages for the North Atlantic

and South Atlantic divisions are smaller. The gains in relative importance for the Western division are noticeably large. Referring to Table 154, it will be seen that "Permanent or other investments" constituted a considerably increased proportion of the assets of electric-railway companies in all districts in 1907, and especially in the South Central, Western, and South Atlantic divisions. In this connection it must be recalled that treasury stock was included in this item in 1907, and excluded in 1902.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 155.—BALANCE SHEET, BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING AND LESSOR COMPANIES

	STATE OR TERRITORY.	CENSUS.	Number of companies.	ASSETS.										Profit and loss—deficit for companies reporting deficit.	Net deficit for states showing deficit.
				Total.	Cost of construction, equipment, and real estate.	Stocks and bonds of other electric-railway companies. <sup>1</sup>	Treasury stocks and bonds. <sup>2</sup>	Other permanent investments.	Cash on hand.	Bills and accounts receivable.	Supplies.	Sundries.			
1	United States.	1907	1,230	\$4,300,040,525	\$3,637,608,708	\$210,342,592	\$27,553,501	\$136,768,104	\$26,456,137	\$116,568,957	\$30,811,390	\$77,092,203	\$36,178,933		\$105,356
2		1902	967	2,645,132,305	2,107,034,077			152,513,997	28,021,853	22,448,700	10,610,923	152,617,703	11,285,047		1,087,290
3	North Atlantic division.	1907	595	1,844,919,859	1,562,220,534	79,630,984	8,481,359	29,897,762	13,101,337	75,540,528	12,951,881	50,894,471	22,195,053		103,341
4		1902	509	1,301,179,219	1,088,932,287			72,094,043	17,533,342	14,344,880	5,388,377	96,569,852	6,315,888		134,148
5	Me.....	1907	17	23,185,409	21,413,212	3,139		997,523	91,422	390,281	129,227	81,974	69,031		
6		1902	20	12,476,227	11,176,556			559,960	80,503	69,716	55,567	209,555	318,370		
7	N. H.....	1907	18	8,045,201	7,848,816				31,558	69,383	6,555	30,725	58,164		
8		1902	13	4,435,194	4,118,457				177,579	108,629	6,030	20,163	3,730		
9	Vt.....	1907	10	6,561,806	5,382,047			700,000	38,840	27,390	16,015	448	396,520		103,341
10		1902	9	3,203,339	2,850,490				20,477	10,506	6,041	292,089	22,866		
11	Mass.....	1907	81	104,338,000	149,681,514	188,500	2,000	926,329	2,504,026	5,952,233	3,124,730	942,883	955,735		
12		1902	92	121,627,650	109,782,044			212,011	3,302,901	1,387,588	1,451,677	5,085,058	406,371		
13	R. I.....	1907	8	35,843,245	33,983,340	109,000	32,500	103,142	133,228	380,400	568,384	464,503	78,739		
14		1902	7	24,488,395	23,871,761				38,443	147,373	100,607	1,589	268,632		
15	Conn.....	1907	11	73,518,317	67,714,955	381,040	219,500	1,373,046	558,056	2,542,484	739,503	27,895	11,838		
16		1902	25	45,045,833	42,482,781			2,121,530	300,733	72,907	191,500	371,430	104,993		
17	N. Y.....	1907	147	874,460,750	709,348,843	48,100,646	7,085,739	14,846,302	7,063,216	56,612,792	5,159,040	10,250,913	15,403,059		
18		1902	119	643,014,844	521,942,957			30,761,267	11,859,612	8,815,728	2,116,054	58,140,377	3,388,249		
19	N. J.....	1907	41	170,111,486	161,901,839	2,832,180		1,504,685	204,798	863,692	756,545	529,090	1,518,654		
20		1902	29	132,020,283	126,589,270			880,908	439,114	278,001	338,461	2,549,375	954,154		134,148
21	Pa.....	1907	202	488,840,582	394,050,908	28,072,429	1,141,620	9,446,735	1,816,187	8,092,864	2,490,082	38,566,034	3,702,003		
22		1902	195	314,258,464	240,118,011			61,668,967	1,307,980	3,454,432	1,001,225	29,890,316	848,523		
23	South Atlantic division.	1907	110	289,306,040	242,357,069	12,838,587	825,551	19,291,850	2,297,616	5,128,346	1,750,004	3,542,791	1,273,932		92,015
24		1902	77	176,838,583	162,507,589			6,063,844	1,124,001	1,538,300	502,244	3,395,568	706,947		120,457
25	Del.....	1907	7	6,950,858	6,622,029				24,020	80,534	23,067	5,238	201,070		92,015
26		1902	3	6,280,910	5,104,470				71,386	40,800	47,361	7,977	17,850		
27	Md. and D. C.	1907	21	134,872,527	115,031,297	5,612,897	505,350	8,562,724	989,587	1,073,553	406,764	1,265,069	824,386		
28		1902	20	98,709,988	96,148,894			30,000	432,039	469,884	171,407	808,371	588,703		103,643
29	Va.....	1907	23	53,105,734	40,306,693	4,160,090		5,050,010	931,089	1,278,357	387,772	89,872	84,281		
30		1902	16	19,773,297	15,414,124			3,284,535	230,557	508,200	30,732	151,552	57,597		
31	W. Va.....	1907	18	25,587,022	22,087,542	2,255,659	84,000	147,073	51,208	187,194	32,008	656,835	85,843		
32		1902	8	10,006,362	9,030,281			244,819	100,805	5,076	4,520	601,492	2,450		
33	N. C.....	1907	12	10,500,915	7,698,294	576,650	54,501	954,108	34,977	974,278	139,095	43,898	25,114		
34		1902	7	4,430,970	2,408,061			639,690	24,070	80,318	36,408	1,198,720	34,103		10,814
35	S. C.....	1907	7	10,794,263	9,154,985	22,000		1,274,500	49,101	188,514	72,544	30,648	1,981		
36		1902	7	6,089,525	4,523,752			1,730,000	8,244	58,631	45,693	310,901	6,244		
37	Ga.....	1907	12	38,301,034	32,381,692	210,721	69,700	3,297,435	118,719	1,234,280	521,058	452,387	15,642		
38		1902	10	27,056,898	29,157,673			134,800	190,523	212,437	142,571	212,894			
39	Fla.....	1907	10	9,097,003	8,475,437		112,000		98,705	111,636	106,196	98,044	35,015		
40		1902	0	3,822,687	3,710,728				47,861	32,094	23,453	7,601			
41	North Central division.	1907	340	1,435,261,846	1,251,383,720	78,830,208	14,091,517	43,250,584	6,945,632	17,459,850	7,380,303	7,174,281	0,239,381		
42		1902	248	828,564,522	705,553,933			98,509,146	6,343,396	4,958,422	2,909,681	30,120,700	4,079,184		832,685
43	Ohio.....	1907	90	380,741,944	321,678,074	25,003,725	3,130,577	18,536,712	1,729,931	4,534,582	2,069,771	2,162,284	1,896,288		
44		1902	60	181,414,088	169,058,087			1,147,836	1,705,088	2,320,577	604,396	6,201,536	225,868		
45	Ind.....	1907	43	178,170,550	166,887,274	740,675	1,807,740	5,297,988	607,456	1,572,190	593,080	650,802	742,436		
46		1902	20	43,454,495	39,420,184			10,435	371,275	107,448	170,915	3,241,044	133,194		
47	Ill.....	1907	86	414,785,525	340,693,323	32,180,017	5,340,700	11,552,719	1,996,872	6,461,234	2,043,726	2,652,995	5,863,939		
48		1902	56	284,953,125	225,507,387			40,237,103	1,819,013	1,123,128	809,038	12,432,930	2,933,026		820,030
49	Mich.....	1907	24	97,789,735	88,391,281	3,351,144	1,575,000	1,013,519	229,058	961,114	906,052	481,092	281,475		
50		1902	24	90,227,880	55,582,232			2,008,542	330,075	531,320	174,032	7,410,002	124,483		
51	Wis.....	1907	20	70,777,446	47,775,012	16,237,000	500,000	3,147,046	142,983	1,024,258	321,327	588,364	181,456		
52		1902	17	31,834,728	29,850,238			708,750	225,314	333,118	338,740	367,214	2,348		
53	Minn.....	1907	5	50,234,168	47,507,087	102,044	971,500	46,280	800,804	178,931	551,856	14,766			
54		1902	5	40,010,285	39,278,860				477,935	4,802	101,283	147,242	11,100		
55	Iowa.....	1907	26	38,312,747	35,310,366	720,147	0,000	734,410	142,108	497,280	261,058	490,145	142,233		
56		1902	22	19,977,060	18,035,128			47,704	243,518	220,522	30,498	1,214,397	129,898		
57	Mo.....	1907	14	102,272,428	156,852,689		900,000	1,611,524	1,000,783	1,170,549	616,180	70,939	49,704		
58		1902	17	140,060,520	117,028,659			24,379,270	1,053,495	299,339	445,988	4,743,535	510,243		

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately in 1902. Included in "Other permanent investments" at that census.<sup>2</sup> Not reported in 1902.<sup>3</sup> Not reported separately in 1902. Probably included in "Bills and accounts payable" and "Sundries" at that census.

# FINANCIAL OPERATIONS.

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COMBINED, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

LIABILITIES.													Cost of construction and equipment during the year.
Total.	Capital stock.	Funded debt.	Real-estate mortgages. <sup>1</sup>	Floating debt. <sup>2</sup>	Reserves. <sup>3</sup>	Bills and accounts payable.	Interest due and accrued.	Dividends due.	Sundries.	Profit and loss—surplus for companies reporting surplus.	Net surplus for states showing surplus.		
\$4,300,040,525 2,545,132,305	\$2,031,080,366 1,266,883,289	\$1,672,050,030 974,112,422	\$4,059,805	\$278,027,097	\$27,222,471	\$91,241,278 101,704,034	\$25,317,196 14,497,670	\$3,909,390 2,543,823	\$57,793,767 133,390,308	\$106,023,225 51,991,159	\$70,639,648 41,793,402	\$184,918,453 120,682,473	1 2
1,844,019,859 1,901,179,219	847,038,114 639,158,333	688,017,064 460,248,005	2,045,810	144,590,176	7,157,735	51,030,883 58,875,280	8,176,817 6,756,430	2,070,647 847,450	44,786,974 107,012,537	49,405,639 32,281,124	27,313,927 26,099,384	67,392,291 74,118,898	3 4
23,185,409 12,476,227	10,944,713 5,053,055	11,039,000 6,155,000	37,732	220,441	54,114	474,536 746,799	69,542 60,967	18,797	14,865 80,499	305,669 379,907	236,038 61,537	725,914 1,181,015	5 6
8,045,201 4,435,104	4,518,700 2,333,200	2,589,000 1,556,000		418,622	54,430	35,001 275,582	78,879 4,096		86,961 174,207	263,608 92,109	205,444 88,379	797,794 220,423	7 8
6,501,866 3,203,339	3,370,000 1,835,100	2,548,607 931,000		114,840	618	141,483 66,201	92,724 23,313		355 310,621	293,179 34,564		903,352 72,392	9 10
164,338,000 121,627,650	74,397,675 59,378,602	60,270,000 37,960,942	229,800	13,225,690	237,850	5,075,670 16,241,821	958,188 251,987	867,964 337,736	5,190,439 5,066,355	3,875,724 2,384,207	2,919,939 1,977,836	8,662,402 12,821,331	11 12
35,843,245 24,488,305	24,555,400 10,375,000	7,070,200 6,221,200		873,702	1,210,534	226,840 1,265,385	41,067 60,867		111 6,492	1,858,791 550,461	1,780,052 290,829	1,100,611 1,075,228	13 14
73,518,317 45,645,833	20,371,000 25,211,640	47,081,001 37,960,942	1,500	406,423	110,301	2,838,416 1,984,704	30,321 128,330		136,803 298,491	2,482,062 689,168	2,470,224 484,176	3,655,219 1,333,893	15 16
874,466,750 643,014,844	377,957,549 276,209,172	336,447,138 252,029,373	1,711,813	70,254,781	2,260,944	28,131,907 23,423,952	5,165,366 3,798,284	1,005,630 318,151	20,921,020 69,290,706	24,611,102 17,039,206	9,207,443 13,650,957	27,388,063 36,278,382	17 18
170,111,489 132,039,283	71,811,380 69,333,440	80,200,500 57,490,750	252,453	2,029,979	2,095,000	2,041,063 2,994,778	688,429 409,014	4,000 4,827	2,236,952 970,498	2,091,667 820,006	573,013	4,537,796 9,437,053	19 20
488,849,582 314,258,454	259,110,797 183,420,124	134,702,408 75,593,700	413,012	50,970,698	527,938	12,065,967 11,876,058	1,051,701 2,019,582	174,196 185,086	16,199,968 30,802,698	13,623,837 10,382,206	9,921,774 9,533,683	19,321,140 11,093,181	21 22
289,306,646 175,838,583	108,341,030 66,887,171	151,682,049 100,219,908	70,900	13,753,682	1,332,554	3,773,822 4,431,232	1,683,520 1,166,985	78,827 120,092	900,871 1,249,639	7,083,391 1,758,056	6,501,474 1,172,106	10,292,234 5,641,650	23 24
6,936,858 5,289,910	2,901,905 2,264,090	3,070,000 2,424,000	15,000	731,983		12,070 523,953	28,780 10,920	52,000	36,005 30,408	109,055 35,639		89,163 1,045,456	25 26
134,872,527 98,709,988	48,400,050 33,579,556	79,310,709 61,639,194	12,900	3,163,742	792,688	798,949 1,669,493	995,746 766,899	2,000 107,428	285,697 522,363	1,042,146 485,060	217,760	1,716,407 1,924,761	27 28
53,195,734 19,773,297	14,920,650 7,277,000	30,667,490 11,019,314	25,000	2,094,184	209,744	1,613,427 889,005	372,069 118,043	15,000 18,069	209,807 242,225	2,162,363 209,641	2,078,082 162,044	3,778,725 605,059	29 30
25,587,022 10,005,352	10,704,075 4,273,000	10,406,500 5,308,400		2,923,084	12,795	255,681 262,527	77,904 12,301		19,883 12,752	1,187,600 135,772	1,101,757 133,322	821,756 734,039	31 32
10,500,915 4,430,976	4,409,800 1,095,625	3,887,750 1,880,500		1,115,631	07,671	176,629 392,630	37,440 60,730		181,904 84,202	624,090 17,289	598,976	981,691 253,248	33 34
10,794,263 6,089,525	3,984,200 2,589,400	4,766,600 3,336,000		1,330,420	114,482	157,575 445,384	49,465 29,737		26,839 213,538	365,282 75,466	363,301 69,222	291,162 308,214	35 36
28,301,634 27,056,898	18,110,400 12,057,600	16,789,600 13,081,500	24,000	896,638	133,630	623,727 163,931	66,626 54,943	9,827	39,386 127,358	1,607,800 671,660	1,592,158 671,660	1,273,929 37,308	37 38
9,097,093 3,822,637	4,834,860 1,949,400	2,775,000 1,531,000		608,000	1,544	135,764 84,309	55,520 112,412		101,950 16,093	585,055 128,223	549,440 128,223	1,339,401 97,467	39 40
1,435,261,845 828,564,522	715,888,841 438,428,419	567,149,700 321,014,326	1,169,636	65,086,060	14,283,831	22,130,950 29,626,683	9,152,658 4,634,617	941,523 1,253,584	8,733,403 21,834,019	30,694,343 11,772,874	21,454,902 8,526,376	60,013,038 36,140,029	41 42
280,741,944 18,414,088	220,845,875 108,638,650	110,280,000 60,942,000	755,200	10,405,303	3,074,621	5,643,372 6,441,750	1,826,863 450,290	343,285 175,353	2,245,502 2,349,156	7,312,923 2,416,889	5,416,635 2,191,021	10,440,831 11,902,321	43 44
178,170,550 43,451,405	94,223,970 16,635,028	72,063,350 21,550,760	20,598	3,998,891	401,818	2,175,159 3,091,024	763,799 102,640	82,037 8,015	1,102,548 1,604,308	3,278,380 401,820	2,535,944 268,626	9,728,562 1,891,946	45 46
414,785,525 284,953,125	200,154,400 158,713,616	167,379,400 97,885,267	362,938	10,304,681	4,425,919	6,500,012 8,706,905	3,738,971 2,084,693	19,024 300,673	4,088,753 16,094,975	8,751,427 2,106,996	2,887,488	21,440,877 13,670,090	47 48
97,789,735 66,227,886	38,607,400 20,033,100	48,625,000 32,590,800	1,800	3,023,216	716,650	2,380,887 2,838,408	417,375 530,992	175 132,234	115,999 113,384	2,905,333 973,968	2,713,858 849,485	2,360,815 1,750,484	49 50
70,777,446 31,334,728	29,864,400 15,178,000	32,208,250 13,058,350		909,827	2,325,293	2,763,105 1,100,953	459,622 204,298	45,583 69,667	192,619 589,926	1,948,747 1,132,934	1,767,291 1,130,586	6,554,760 1,826,060	51 52
50,234,168 40,016,285	23,905,000 23,280,000	20,912,500 13,226,000	28,800	1,525,600	1,431,891	518,687 122,908	315,195 229,928	251,250 300,200	421,062 67,639	924,283 2,780,010	924,283 2,778,510	1,909,672 1,044,300	53 54
38,312,747 19,977,060	20,693,046 10,541,200	12,804,500 6,770,333		1,787,921	121,450	594,177 1,338,918	120,430 73,101		173,667 62,956	2,017,547 1,189,536	1,875,314 1,059,638	2,636,907 1,578,741	55 56
162,272,428 149,000,520	58,819,400 68,234,100	80,836,000 71,474,816		16,701,747	913,861	1,124,786 5,760,149	1,318,954 948,250	173,671 206,621	151,849 1,808,298	2,232,160 568,277	2,182,396 58,034	2,985,019 2,167,875	57 58

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 155.—BALANCE SHEET, BY ACCOUNTS, OF OPERATING AND LESSOR COMPANIES

ASSETS.													
STATE OR TERRITORY.	Cen- sus.	Number of com- panies.	Total.	Cost of con- struction, equipment, and real estate.	Stocks and bonds of other elec- tric-rail- way com- panies. <sup>1</sup>	Treasury stocks and bonds. <sup>2</sup>	Other permanent invest- ments.	Cash on hand.	Bills and accounts receivable.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Profit and loss—def- icit for companies reporting deficit.	Net def- icit for states showing deficit.
North Central division—Conn. N. and S. Dak. <sup>4</sup>	1907	5	\$844,710	\$831,358				\$8,507	\$3,088	\$1,668	\$95		
Nebr.....	1907	10	25,041,650	25,050,412	\$1,516		\$159,563	208,231	111,936	105,491	4,537		
	1902	4	8,807,086	8,599,242				100,061	0,175	19,209	76,654	\$1,845	
Kans.....	1907	17	15,690,600	14,836,053			551,123	78,899	44,688	39,185	58,202	81,790	
	1902	11	3,318,049	3,089,321				14,022	2,042	14,370	100,206	7,170	\$6,055
South Central division.	1907	91	248,452,559	203,085,871	16,071,758	\$980,757	18,403,275	1,512,788	4,517,381	1,538,319	1,705,696	540,814	
	1902	66	108,328,630	87,294,862			1,806,741	900,545	770,481	423,137	11,917,645	66,225	
Ky.....	1907	13	36,044,673	34,693,140		1,000	383,262	198,090	384,049	304,285	68,020	44,227	
	1902	12	25,230,786	22,850,276			40,928	333,415	43,307	139,608	1,810,241	21,921	
Tenn.....	1907	9	40,163,467	38,731,679	100,000		170,000	391,432	110,447	255,912	304,156	641	
	1902	8	18,142,307	16,981,576			582,015	64,557	491,804	62,046	9,187	1,132	
Ala.....	1907	10	31,014,117	27,189,353	32,655	210,000	2,455,800	122,348	448,160	251,700	116,407	187,604	
	1902	9	15,451,927	18,009,083			940,110	78,370	94,304	38,101	278,705	13,638	
Miss.....	1907	8	8,669,208	6,777,857			1,270,907	34,979	104,811	81,413	431,123	18,118	
	1902	5	1,444,119	1,208,084			114,106	11,196	5,928	2,390	40,540	1,785	
La.....	1907	12	84,623,049	52,216,789	15,939,103		12,668,131	347,198	2,854,647	177,843	382,818	36,520	
	1902	8	24,084,037	14,282,507				243,853	97,891	108,909	9,320,008	25,950	
Ark.....	1907	8	10,761,023	9,042,016		139,000	1,213,780	29,005	149,066	88,872	72,789	24,400	
	1902	7	2,501,330	2,207,346			40,486	27,208	0,106	11,146	208,975		
Okla. <sup>5</sup>	1907	8	6,715,740	6,034,862		8,357	214,561	13,573	223,475	101,870	70,304	42,738	
Tex.....	1907	23	30,461,288	28,309,575		623,400	26,834	407,068	233,126	326,416	253,289	186,566	
	1902	17	16,465,080	15,755,440			140,000	231,886	31,141	65,784	240,029	800	
Western division	1907	94	482,099,616	388,620,605	23,459,045	3,168,317	25,924,333	2,598,764	13,922,852	7,190,883	14,285,064	2,920,753	
	1902	67	136,221,345	123,345,456			3,889,623	2,030,479	830,617	1,387,489	4,013,878	117,803	
Mont.....	1907	5	4,949,708	3,191,227		24,920	1,557,177	19,334	71,373	74,923	9,115	1,639	
	1902	5	3,748,096	3,225,582				40,521	37,782	22,589	347,107	65,565	
Colo.....	1907	11	41,299,507	28,039,230	11,303,700	399,000	138,572	307,301	588,036	400,540	83,223	38,996	
	1902	7	16,820,046	16,174,735			210,062	149,037	39,298	116,097	121,850	9,967	
Wash.....	1907	15	78,110,935	64,863,788	2,518,863	1,080,869	2,845,957	877,317	3,253,448	1,334,004	822,404	514,105	
	1902	8	20,043,820	18,574,439			191,793	400,094	234,804	274,026	301,980		
Oreg.....	1907	8	41,866,855	21,485,428	9,012,500		8,931,170	225,020	1,067,601	461,568	83,478		
	1902	6	6,563,768	6,235,570				89,601	8,680	89,341	118,864	21,737	
Cal.....	1907	42	293,600,279	251,692,790	623,982	1,063,000	11,950,957	1,080,472	8,185,049	4,180,313	12,607,587	2,165,520	
	1902	35	82,602,650	74,624,168			1,805,168	1,139,782	515,963	832,641	3,032,077	5,751	
All other West- ern states and territories. <sup>6</sup>	1907	13	22,272,332	19,348,142		600,528	500,500	109,320	175,755	739,436	580,257	209,394	
	1902	6	6,442,434	4,508,012			1,082,000	151,244		53,795	32,000	14,783	
Hawaii and Porto Rico. <sup>7</sup>	1907	4	4,231,234	3,945,062	56,300			27,021	87,240	67,159	48,443		
	1902	5	3,562,875	2,181,593			332,314	102,950	64,808	31,950	778,161	11,039	

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately in 1902. Included in "Other permanent investments" at that census.<sup>2</sup> Not reported in 1902.<sup>3</sup> Not reported separately in 1902. Probably included in "Bills and accounts payable" and "Sundries" at that census.<sup>4</sup> No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.

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COMBINED, BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

LIABILITIES.												Cost of construction and equipment during the year.
Total.	Capital stock.	Funded debt.	Real-estate mortgages. <sup>a</sup>	Floating debt. <sup>a</sup>	Reserves. <sup>a</sup>	Bills and accounts payable.	Interest due and accrued.	Dividends due.	Sundries.	Profit and loss—surplus for companies reporting surplus.	Net surplus for states showing surplus.	
\$344,716	\$384,080	\$300,000		\$95,100		\$25,816				\$38,820	\$38,820	\$6,393 50
25,641,686 8,807,086	13,864,585 6,012,125	9,540,000 2,396,000	\$300	133,203	\$701,080	274,783 127,436	\$103,509	\$17,498 50,205	\$211,817 21,000	614,911 192,320	614,911 100,475	924,736 211,689 60 01
15,090,900 3,318,649	8,525,785 2,162,000	6,190,800 1,115,000		176,571	21,239	130,166 37,332	27,940 1,416	9,000	20,587 2,377	579,812 524	408,022	1,024,476 35,933 62 63
248,452,559 103,328,636	119,607,530 50,335,800	99,586,117 43,234,100	74,357	13,448,532	672,320	4,158,027 5,357,052	2,035,429 880,042	813,648 199,744	1,158,947 825,350	6,836,752 2,496,548	6,295,938 2,431,323	10,366,115 4,346,289 64 65
30,044,673 25,230,786	10,047,400 11,330,900	15,720,000 12,204,300	16,000	1,905,019	157,514	743,073 284,044	348,630 294,275	31,250 77,250	32,071 108,027	1,037,716 880,990	993,489 859,069	1,223,904 371,058 66 67
40,163,467 18,142,307	17,499,100 8,100,400	19,348,000 8,086,400		1,359,193	198,391	304,087 908,620	455,240 31,620		321,105 88,991	618,401 266,276	617,760 265,154	2,116,219 1,173,083 68 69
31,014,117 15,451,927	12,980,000 7,006,900	15,181,067 6,078,500	1,000	1,076,822	93,985	400,080 599,162	228,784 133,272	107,136 2,000	372,821 48,843	480,922 293,760	293,318 280,122	991,621 1,329,510 70 71
8,669,208 1,444,119	3,937,880 629,500	3,562,500 444,000		704,826	54,584	120,457 134,028	80,745 8,212		121,051 8,070	147,165 22,709	129,047 20,024	522,292 311,417 72 73
84,623,040 24,084,087	40,839,700 12,484,900	29,145,000 10,010,000		3,152,754	75,406	1,716,710 291,257	679,667 299,200	588,671 114,203	155,975 269,547	2,269,266 634,980	2,232,746 609,021	1,290,258 490,549 74 75
10,761,028 2,501,330	4,845,000 885,300	4,453,000 1,058,000		687,617	9,908	153,820 180,425	53,601 32,590		39,541 242,025	517,941 102,090	493,541 102,090	439,872 82,272 76 77
6,715,749	4,145,800	2,020,000		46,000	72,365	268,858	7,846		21,602	124,278	81,540	1,858,103 78
30,461,268 16,465,080	13,371,150 9,150,000	10,200,050 3,052,000	57,357	4,516,301	10,167	301,892 2,958,920	181,016 99,878	89,591 6,291	94,781 10,347	1,641,093 294,843	1,454,497 294,043	1,953,696 588,397 79 80
482,090,616 136,221,845	241,050,861 72,078,596	166,525,000 53,390,023	93,102	42,047,747	3,776,031	10,146,096 3,414,387	4,238,772 1,060,596	4,745 116,953	2,213,572 2,477,893	12,003,100 3,681,957	9,073,347 3,594,154	30,854,775 6,435,907 81 82
4,046,708 3,748,096	2,781,275 2,045,613	1,550,000 1,275,000		81,418	14,715	22,916 984	18,842 134,750		1,097 124,550	479,445 167,193	477,806 101,628	163,733 65,320 83 84
41,299,507 16,820,040	17,998,500 7,362,804	19,450,000 8,295,500		931,932	250,315	503,038 418,881	267,840 239,493	1,610	170,097 138,848	1,725,575 355,060	1,686,579 355,093	874,712 402,023 85 86
78,110,935 20,043,826	40,454,000 10,630,400	23,414,000 7,747,813		8,918,612	3,469	1,202,163 845,166	355,090 121,355		339,457 137,717	3,332,338 555,385	2,818,143 555,385	11,497,826 3,299,615 87 88
41,899,855 6,593,703	22,428,900 2,788,550	10,599,000 2,737,000	40,000	1,231,704		606,826 214,452	271,482 20,890		81,775 142,530	657,108 654,865	657,108 632,628	1,505,142 330,939 89 90
293,600,270 82,602,550	147,734,600 40,022,099	96,812,400 30,529,500	53,102	28,502,698	3,507,532	7,341,483 1,650,635	3,108,233 538,103	3,135 116,953	1,571,146 1,984,206	4,955,950 1,811,049	2,800,421 1,805,298	21,266,334 2,164,805 91 92
22,272,332 6,442,434	9,652,676 3,218,100	8,090,600 2,811,150		2,381,323		409,670 284,279	186,379		100,000	842,684 128,905	638,290 114,122	1,547,028 172,905 93 94
4,231,234 3,502,875	1,846,400 2,021,340	1,604,786 1,103,800		385,723	81,384	17,928 55,276	45,427 20,140	4,592 2,899	11,862 100,083	253,732 130,331	253,732 110,292	149,818 310 95 96

<sup>a</sup> No company reported in 1902.

<sup>b</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 4. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.

<sup>c</sup> Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## CHAPTER VIII.

### EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES.

The statistics relate to salaried employees and to all wage-earners engaged in the maintenance or operation of power plants and rolling stock, in the maintenance of track and roadway and overhead lines, and in the operation of the commercial light and power plants of the railways. They do not include persons employed exclusively on new extension work.

The wage-earners have been separated by occupation into seventeen classes, but the separation can not be accepted as exact, because often among the small and medium-sized companies an employee acts in two or more capacities, and in the returns the assignment to an occupation was made according to the opinion of the person who furnished the information for the census report. The classification "Other mechanics" includes, in some instances, employees working some part of the year in one or more of the specified occupations. A few companies included their commercial electric light and power-plant workers among "Other employees" instead of distributing them by occupations. The total of the numbers reported for each occupation represents the total number employed, and the number is very nearly correct in the case of well-defined occupations, such as those of conductors and motormen.

In a few instances, where electric railways were operated by steam-railroad companies or by corporations engaged in other lines of business, it was impossible to ascertain the exact number of employees engaged in the electric branch of their work or to apportion accurately the salaries and wages paid to such employees. Such cases, however, are not sufficient in number or importance to affect the totals seriously.

In 1907 the class specified "Car and motor repairers" was added to the list of specified occupations, and the class "Lamp trimmers," which was used in 1902, was dropped. Wage-earners reported for the latter group in 1902 are included with "Other employees" in all of the comparative tables. It is probable that "Car and motor repairers" were reported in 1902 among "Electricians," "Mechanics," and "Other employees," but as it is impossible to separate them in the reports for that year, no comparison of this class can be made for the two censuses.

Only 6 companies, with 292.95 miles of track, failed to report the number of their employees in 1907;

while in 1902, 20 companies, with 417.03 miles of track, did not furnish such statistics.

The inquiry "Number of employees at specified daily rates of pay," which formed a part of the general inquiry at the census of 1902, was omitted from the schedule in 1907. At both censuses the inquiry called separately for the average number of salaried employees and wage-earners employed during the year. Where the reporting company did not operate its line during the entire year, it was instructed to calculate an average on the basis of a year. For instance, if a company was in operation only six months and employed 36 men regularly, the average for the year would be 18. The number of companies operating only a part of the year 1907 was 55, with 1,297 employees; in 1902 there were 57 such companies, with 2,066 employees. Some of these companies evidently reported the number required to operate the system under normal conditions instead of the number obtained by calculations made according to the method described. But in comparison with the totals—221,429 in 1907 and 140,769 in 1902—for all companies reporting, the number of these short-time employees is so insignificant as to have little effect.

The difficulties in the way of ascertaining a true average number are so great that it is believed the number representing the sum of the averages reported is not sufficiently accurate to justify its use for the computation of the average annual earnings.<sup>1</sup>

Allowance for board or rent, if any, was included with the salaries and wages reported.

Conductors and motormen were numerically the most important classes of electric-railway employees, and they received more than one-half of the total amount paid in salaries and wages. With the exception of "Hostlers, stablemen, etc.," which class shows a decrease because of the continued disappearance of railways, repair wagons, etc., operated by animal power, every class of employees shows an increase in both number and wages.

The percentage of increase in the amount paid in salaries or wages is higher for every occupation than the percentage of increase in the number employed, from which fact it may be inferred that there has been

<sup>1</sup> Special reports of the Bureau of the Census, 1905, *Manufactures*, Part I, p. lxxxix.

an increase in average earnings, although the exact extent of the increase can not be determined from the statistics.

TABLE 156.—*Employees, salaries, and wages of operating companies, by classes of occupations: 1907 and 1902.*

CLASS.	1907	1902	Per cent of increase.
Number of companies.....	1 939	1 797	17.8
Salaried employees:			
Total number.....	11,700	7,128	64.1
Total salaries.....	\$12,909,490	\$7,439,716	73.5
Officers of corporations—			
Number.....	1,518	1,480	2.6
Salaries.....	\$3,852,252	\$2,990,745	28.8
Managers, superintendents, etc.—			
Number.....	2,094	1,327	57.8
Salaries.....	\$3,580,307	\$1,819,166	96.8
Clerks and bookkeepers—			
Number.....	8,088	4,321	87.2
Salaries.....	\$5,470,847	\$2,029,805	108.8
Wage-earners:			
Total average number.....	209,729	133,041	56.9
Total wages.....	\$138,081,033	\$80,770,449	71.0
Foremen—			
Average number.....	3,582	1,782	101.0
Wages.....	\$3,844,170	\$1,518,400	120.2
Inspectors—			
Average number.....	1,850	1,095	68.9
Wages.....	\$1,617,390	\$852,029	89.7
Conductors—			
Average number.....	60,082	40,141	49.6
Wages.....	\$38,234,158	\$24,025,204	59.1
Motormen—			
Average number.....	55,486	40,003	38.7
Wages.....	\$37,470,896	\$24,617,155	52.2
Starters—			
Average number.....	1,442	960	50.2
Wages.....	\$1,159,034	\$721,031	60.7
Switchmen—			
Average number.....	1,808	1,198	50.9
Wages.....	\$1,179,440	\$728,075	61.8
Road and track men—			
Average number.....	22,401	11,474	95.2
Wages.....	\$12,308,096	\$5,511,425	124.4
Linemen—			
Average number.....	3,006	2,288	60.2
Wages.....	\$2,831,897	\$1,558,478	82.8
Electricians—			
Average number.....	1,525	1,150	32.6
Wages.....	\$1,394,001	\$901,524	53.5
Car and motor repairers—			
Average number.....	13,476	( <sup>2</sup> )	
Wages.....	\$9,200,140	( <sup>2</sup> )	
Engineers—			
Average number.....	1,048	1,751	11.3
Wages.....	\$1,023,084	\$1,527,793	25.9
Dynamo and switchboard men—			
Average number.....	1,063	1,187	68.2
Wages.....	\$1,433,304	\$761,304	88.3
Firemen—			
Average number.....	3,282	2,094	21.8
Wages.....	\$2,309,810	\$1,735,047	33.1
Other mechanics—			
Average number.....	11,204	9,197	22.5
Wages.....	\$8,034,588	\$0,312,119	27.3
Hostlers, stablemen, etc.—			
Average number.....	1,132	1,345	15.8
Wages.....	\$732,795	\$313,425	49.9
Watchmen—			
Average number.....	1,454	921	57.9
Wages.....	\$789,181	\$497,103	53.8
All other employees—			
Average number.....	23,418	16,475	42.1
Wages.....	\$14,068,071	\$8,093,237	61.8

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>3</sup> Not reported separately.

<sup>4</sup> Decrease.

In the percentage of increase "Clerks and bookkeepers" led among salaried employees in both number and salaries, while among wage-earners "Foremen" were first in number and "Road and track men" in wages.

At the census of 1902 the wages paid to conductors and motormen constituted 55.1 per cent of the total salaries and wages, and the amount was almost equally divided between the two classes, a slightly larger share going to motormen. But the increase in interurban roads and subways has so changed the relative distribution of the force that the wages of conductors

and motormen in 1907 formed only 50.1 per cent of the total, while the proportion paid conductors (25.3 per cent) slightly exceeded that for motormen (24.8 per cent). In 1907 the next largest class, aside from the group of "Other employees," was "Road and track men," for which the proportion of the total salaries and wages received was 8.2 per cent.

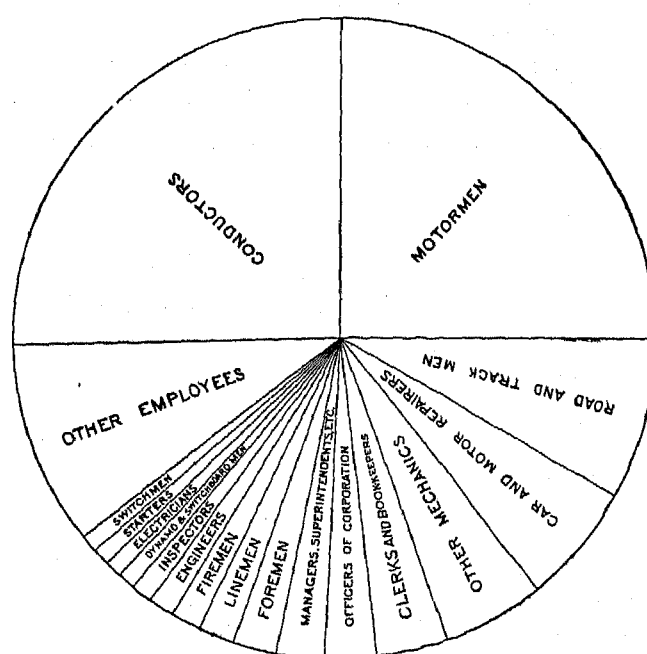
TABLE 157.—*Per cent distribution of total salaries and wages of operating companies, by classes of occupations: 1907 and 1902.*

CLASS.	1907	1902
Total.....	100.0	100.0
Officers of corporations.....	2.6	3.4
Managers, superintendents, etc.....	2.4	2.1
Clerks and bookkeepers.....	3.6	3.0
Foremen.....	2.2	1.7
Inspectors.....	1.1	1.0
Conductors.....	25.3	27.2
Motormen.....	24.8	27.9
Starters.....	0.8	0.8
Switchmen.....	0.8	0.8
Road and track men.....	8.2	6.2
Linemen.....	1.9	1.8
Electricians.....	0.9	1.0
Car and motor repairers.....	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )
Engineers.....	1.3	1.7
Dynamo and switchboard men.....	0.9	0.9
Firemen.....	1.5	2.0
Other mechanics.....	5.3	7.2
Hostlers, stablemen, etc.....	0.5	0.9
Watchmen.....	0.5	0.6
All other employees.....	9.3	9.9

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately.

The 1907 percentages given in Table 157 are graphically expressed by the following diagram:

DIAGRAM 7.—*Salaries and wages, by classes of employees: 1907.*



The rank of the geographic divisions in the percentages of increase was the same for the number and the salaries of the salaried employees. The Western division had the largest percentages, followed by the South Central, South Atlantic, North Central, and North Atlantic divisions. This same order



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is shown for the percentages of increase in number and amount paid wage-earners, except that the North Central division ranked third and the South Atlantic division was fourth.

TABLE 158.—EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES OF OPERATING COMPANIES, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

DIVISION.	Cen- sus.	Number of com- panies.	SALARIED EMPLOYEES.		WAGE-EARNERS.								PER CENT OF TOTAL.			
			Number.	Salaries.	Total.		Conductors.		Motormen.		All other.		Salaried employees.		Wage-earners.	
					Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Number.	Salaries.	Average number.	Wages.
United States.....	1907	1939	11,700	\$12,909,406	209,729	\$188,081,033	60,032	\$35,234,158	55,486	\$37,470,896	64,211	\$62,376,579	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	1902	1797	7,128	7,439,719	138,041	80,770,449	40,141	24,026,204	40,003	24,617,155	53,497	32,128,090	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Per cent of increase.....			64.1	78.6	50.9	71.0	49.8	59.1	38.7	52.2	70.1	94.1				
North Atlantic.....	1907	366	4,854	4,933,889	102,749	68,800,105	29,888	18,211,017	26,178	17,612,024	46,085	31,135,354	41.5	38.2	49.0	48.4
	1902	355	3,501	3,449,030	72,427	43,827,514	21,981	12,991,305	21,637	13,323,021	29,209	17,513,098	49.1	40.4	54.2	54.3
Per cent of increase.....		2.8	38.6	43.1	41.9	52.0	37.8	40.2	21.6	31.4	59.8	77.8				
South Atlantic.....	1907	100	1,002	1,102,053	14,042	7,960,754	3,906	2,187,020	3,996	2,252,078	6,140	3,521,056	8.6	9.2	6.7	5.8
	1902	75	600	589,114	9,233	4,443,018	2,758	1,277,248	2,724	1,801,308	3,721	1,864,462	8.5	7.9	6.9	5.5
Per cent of increase.....		33.3	65.3	102.3	52.1	70.2	40.1	71.2	40.7	73.1	65.0	88.9				
North Central.....	1907	293	3,475	4,088,813	32,445	41,070,004	17,713	11,902,675	10,712	11,084,210	28,020	18,083,719	29.7	31.7	29.8	30.2
	1902	235	2,202	2,392,200	37,208	28,041,446	11,284	7,034,268	10,813	6,961,140	15,156	9,046,032	30.9	32.2	27.8	28.5
Per cent of increase.....		24.7	57.8	70.0	67.8	80.9	57.7	69.2	54.0	67.8	84.9	99.9				
South Central.....	1907	90	722	850,740	12,331	7,060,037	3,674	2,044,483	3,773	2,134,650	4,884	2,880,904	6.2	6.6	5.9	5.1
	1902	66	337	418,661	6,894	3,493,786	1,718	881,385	2,177	1,173,051	2,490	1,409,350	4.7	5.6	4.8	4.3
Per cent of increase.....		36.4	114.2	108.2	82.9	103.8	113.0	132.0	73.3	82.0	95.4	104.4				
Western.....	1907	91	1,647	1,844,015	18,162	14,580,043	4,853	3,888,063	4,827	3,880,434	8,482	6,755,546	14.1	14.3	8.7	10.5
	1902	66	482	590,721	8,384	5,994,085	2,720	1,840,908	2,752	1,858,629	2,912	2,205,148	6.8	7.9	6.3	7.4
Per cent of increase.....		37.9	241.7	212.2	116.6	142.4	78.4	111.2	75.4	109.1	191.3	104.3				

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

The absolute increases, however, were greatest in the North Atlantic division in all particulars except salaries, in which the North Central division was slightly ahead.

The larger rate of gain for the Western and South Central divisions and the smaller proportion con-

tributed by the North Atlantic states to the total in 1907 as compared with 1902 are in harmony with the statistics for traffic, income, and operating expenses.

*Companies, grouped according to number of employees.*—A grouping of the railway companies by number of employees is shown in Table 159.

TABLE 159.—OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907.

DIVISION.	Total number of com- panies.	NUMBER OF COMPANIES REPORTING EMPLOYEES.											
		Under 25.	25 but under 50.	50 but under 75.	75 but under 100.	100 but under 150.	150 but under 200.	200 but under 300.	300 but under 400.	400 but under 500.	500 but under 750.	750 but under 1,000.	1,000 and over.
United States.....	1939	319	180	111	60	73	35	40	20	22	18	10	45
North Atlantic.....	305	134	70	53	18	20	9	21	5	7	7	1	20
South Atlantic.....	100	35	18	11	4	14	3	5	3	3	1	—	3
North Central.....	293	89	50	28	24	20	17	11	6	8	6	5	14
South Central.....	90	26	21	12	6	6	3	5	2	2	3	2	2
Western.....	91	35	15	7	8	4	3	4	4	2	1	2	6

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

Slightly more than one-third of the 939 companies had fewer than 25 employees in 1907. Most of these companies were in the North Atlantic division and the least number in the South Central division. Almost one-fifth of the companies employed from 25 to 50 persons. These companies also were most numerous in the North Atlantic division, while they were least numerous in the Western division. Of the 45 companies reporting 1,000 or more employees, nearly

one-half were in the North Atlantic and almost one-third in the North Central division.

*Employee and wage statistics of operating companies, classified according to income from railway operations.*—The ratios of the number of employees to miles of track, car mileage, and number of fare passengers carried depend upon various conditions. To be of the greatest value for comparisons, these ratios should be for companies situated in different localities and

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operated as closely as possible under the same conditions. But the details that would be involved in such an arrangement are so great that it is impracticable for a census report. The grouping of the companies by size as measured by income develops some interesting features.

**TABLE 160.—EMPLOYEE AND WAGE STATISTICS OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO INCOME FROM RAILWAY OPERATIONS: 1907 AND 1902.**

	Census.	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
			\$1,000,000 and over. (A)	\$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000. (B)	\$250,000 but less than \$500,000. (C)	\$100,000 but less than \$250,000. (D)	Less than \$100,000. (E)
Number of companies.....	1907 1902	1939 1797	76 44	50 28	80 53	182 111	551 561
Miles of track.....	1907 1902	34,088.56 22,169.96	15,402.09 8,414.31	4,385.45 2,127.29	3,950.36 2,081.18	4,909.62 3,318.98	5,435.04 5,618.20
Car mileage.....	1907 1902	1,810,200,340 1,120,614,074	1,131,741,588 731,882,858	147,465,234 97,196,371	112,378,238 90,203,540	120,548,770 96,882,050	98,126,510 113,479,265
Number of fare passengers.....	1907 1902	7,422,206,331 4,723,902,760	5,622,329,207 3,357,796,250	584,885,974 388,317,710	438,070,013 323,182,416	451,506,780 320,718,499	325,414,297 333,887,878
Salaried employees:							
Number.....	1907 1902	11,700 7,128	6,641 3,731	1,102 439	1,053 681	1,368 808	1,536 1,610
Per 10 miles of track.....	1907 1902	3.43 3.22	4.31 4.43	2.61 2.06	2.66 2.35	2.79 2.43	2.83 2.70
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	1907 1902	7.27 0.31	5.87 6.10	7.47 4.62	9.37 7.00	11.35 8.34	15.05 13.39
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	1907 1902	1.68 1.51	1.18 1.11	1.88 1.13	2.40 1.65	3.03 2.62	4.72 4.55
Salaries.....	1907 1902	\$12,909,466 \$7,439,716	\$7,802,168 \$4,152,141	\$1,280,099 \$569,592	\$1,181,245 \$717,517	\$1,381,688 \$843,800	\$1,264,266 \$1,156,600
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating expenses.....	1907 1902	5.1 5.2	4.5 4.5	5.7 4.8	6.2 6.2	6.8 6.8	7.8 7.9
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating earnings.....	1907 1902	3.1 3.0	2.6 2.5	3.5 2.8	3.9 3.7	4.4 4.4	5.6 5.6
Wage-earners:							
Average number.....	1907 1902	206,720 133,641	150,321 86,814	17,286 12,053	14,224 11,173	15,036 10,961	12,262 12,640
Per 10 miles of track.....	1907 1902	61.62 60.31	97.60 103.17	39.42 66.66	35.95 41.67	31.85 33.03	22.56 22.50
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	1907 1902	130.24 118.31	132.82 118.62	117.20 124.01	126.67 123.86	129.71 113.17	124.06 111.39
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	1907 1902	28.26 28.20	26.74 25.85	29.55 31.04	32.47 34.67	34.63 34.18	37.68 37.86
Wages.....	1907 1902	\$138,081,633 \$80,770,449	\$101,436,272 \$54,704,832	\$11,511,975 \$6,808,243	\$8,955,984 \$6,466,208	\$9,304,660 \$6,323,210	\$6,812,742 \$6,417,066
Per cent ratio of wages to operating expenses.....	1907 1902	54.9 56.8	58.5 59.6	51.7 57.5	47.0 50.1	46.0 51.2	41.9 44.0
Per cent ratio of wages to operating earnings.....	1907 1902	33.0 32.7	34.1 32.6	31.5 33.2	29.6 33.6	29.5 32.9	30.2 31.2
Conductors—							
Average number.....	1907 1902	60,032 40,141	44,369 26,511	4,806 3,655	3,620 3,300	4,064 3,255	3,193 3,420
Wages.....	1907 1902	\$38,234,158 \$24,025,204	\$28,543,025 \$10,504,470	\$3,203,961 \$2,050,338	\$2,297,928 \$1,851,152	\$2,401,836 \$1,864,875	\$1,786,508 \$1,704,369
Motormen—							
Average number.....	1907 1902	55,486 40,003	39,548 25,667	4,694 3,570	3,621 3,302	4,126 3,456	3,497 3,999
Wages.....	1907 1902	\$37,470,896 \$24,617,165	\$27,488,896 \$16,692,757	\$3,200,744 \$2,046,777	\$2,326,445 \$1,870,880	\$2,493,735 \$1,986,627	\$1,961,076 \$2,020,114
All other employees—							
Average number.....	1907 1902	94,211 53,497	66,414 34,036	7,786 4,819	6,983 4,571	7,456 4,260	5,572 5,221
Per 10 miles of track.....	1907 1902	27.04 24.14	43.12 41.10	17.75 22.65	17.65 17.05	15.10 12.81	10.25 9.29
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	1907 1902	58.51 47.96	58.68 47.32	52.79 49.58	62.14 50.67	61.85 43.88	56.78 46.01
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	1907 1902	12.69 11.32	11.81 10.32	13.31 12.41	15.94 14.14	16.51 13.25	17.12 15.04
Wages.....	1907 1902	\$62,376,579 \$32,128,090	\$45,403,451 \$21,507,605	\$5,107,270 \$2,711,128	\$4,331,611 \$2,734,176	\$4,469,089 \$2,481,708	\$3,065,158 \$2,603,473

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish information in regard to employees and wages.  
<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish information in regard to employees and wages.

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In the case of the total number of operating companies shown, there was an increase in the number of salaried employees and wage-earners in 1907 as compared with 1902 for each unit of measurement, except wage-earners per fare passenger carried, and for this the decrease was very slight, being merely from 28.29 per million passengers in 1902 to 28.26 per million in 1907. While the number of salaried employees per 10 miles of track was largest (4.31) in 1907 for companies with an income of \$1,000,000 and over, the number (2.83) for the small companies of Class E was somewhat higher than that for the larger companies of Classes D, C, and B. A certain number of salaried officials and clerks is necessary to maintain a corporate organization, but the number of such employees does not increase at the same rate as the trackage. The averages for this class of employees were higher in 1907 than in 1902 for each income class, except the large companies composing Class A. Consolidations, which were especially active among the

largest companies, generally operate to reduce the administrative and salaried force. Moreover, the increasing density of traffic in the large centers in which the big companies operate tends to lower the number of salaried officials per car mile and per passenger unit for those companies.

Wage-earners are much more intimately associated with track and traffic than salaried officials are, and the number of wage-earners upon a track basis is necessarily greater for the larger companies. The reverse is true, however, when the number of wage-earners is compared with the number of fare passengers carried.

*Employee and wage statistics of operating companies with and without commercial lighting, and of part-time companies.*—The association of electric light and power business with that of electric railways naturally affects the ratio of employees and wages to track and other units of measurement.

TABLE 161.—EMPLOYEE AND WAGE STATISTICS OF OPERATING COMPANIES WITH AND WITHOUT COMMERCIAL LIGHTING, AND OF PART-TIME COMPANIES: 1907 AND 1902.

	TOTAL, ALL COMPANIES.		CLASSIFICATION GROUP.					
			Without commercial lighting. <sup>1</sup>		With commercial lighting.		Part-time.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Number of companies.....	2,939	2,707	709	628	4,175	112	55	57
Miles of track.....	34,088.56	22,150.00	26,404.75	18,808.43	6,883.05	2,460.36	800.16	831.17
Car mileage.....	1,010,200,340	1,120,614,074	1,381,402,281	1,031,551,000	223,008,250	85,042,036	5,279,809	13,020,048
Number of fare passengers.....	7,422,260,331	4,723,002,750	6,407,180,507	4,380,330,056	912,807,187	305,833,612	12,200,577	37,738,491
Salaried employees:								
Number.....	11,700	7,128	8,941	5,954	2,619	900	140	184
Per 10 miles of track.....	3.43	3.22	3.39	3.16	3.80	4.02	1.75	2.21
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	7.27	6.31	6.47	5.77	11.71	11.64	26.62	14.13
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	1.58	1.51	1.38	1.36	2.87	3.24	11.41	4.88
Salaries.....	\$12,000,466	\$7,430,716	\$10,058,426	\$6,320,132	\$2,789,382	\$908,460	\$66,658	\$121,124
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating expenses.....	5.1	5.2	4.8	4.9	6.7	7.8	7.4	8.4
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating earnings.....	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.8	4.0	4.5	5.3	4.0
Wage-earners:								
Average number.....	209,729	133,041	175,385	119,201	33,187	12,498	1,157	1,882
Per 10 miles of track.....	61.52	60.31	66.42	63.21	48.21	50.80	14.40	22.04
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	130.24	118.31	126.96	115.61	148.42	146.96	219.14	144.56
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	28.26	28.20	26.99	27.23	36.36	40.87	94.30	49.87
Wages.....	\$138,081,633	\$80,770,449	\$117,178,850	\$73,330,581	\$20,626,304	\$6,741,201	\$376,479	\$698,667
Per cent ratio of wages to operating expenses.....	54.0	56.8	50.1	57.3	49.4	52.5	42.1	48.5
Per cent ratio of wages to operating earnings.....	33.0	32.7	33.7	32.0	29.8	30.5	30.2	28.2
Conductors—								
Average number.....	60,032	40,141	51,602	36,503	8,145	3,090	285	548
Wages.....	\$38,234,158	\$24,025,204	\$33,203,733	\$22,281,221	\$4,944,420	\$1,545,874	\$86,005	\$198,109
Motormen—								
Average number.....	55,480	40,003	46,003	36,178	8,200	3,235	203	590
Wages.....	\$37,470,896	\$24,617,155	\$32,205,870	\$22,723,255	\$5,088,336	\$1,680,086	\$86,681	\$213,814
All other employees—								
Average number.....	64,211	53,497	70,880	46,580	16,752	6,173	579	744
Per 10 miles of track.....	27.04	24.14	29.12	24.69	24.34	25.09	7.24	8.95
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	58.51	47.36	55.05	45.16	74.02	72.59	109.66	57.14
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	12.60	11.32	11.83	10.63	18.35	20.18	47.19	19.71
Wages.....	\$62,376,570	\$32,128,090	\$51,079,238	\$28,326,105	\$10,493,548	\$3,515,241	\$203,793	\$280,744

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish information in regard to employees and wages.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish information in regard to employees and wages.

<sup>4</sup> Exclusive of 2 part-time companies.

It might be expected that companies with commercial lighting would show a larger number of wage-earners per mile of track than those without commercial lighting, but such is not the case, for the reasons that comparatively few additional employees are required for the operation of power plant and the maintenance of line used jointly for railway service

and commercial light and power purposes, and that companies not selling light and power usually operate in great cities where relatively more employees are required to care for the heavy traffic. Companies selling light and power, however, show a relatively larger number of employees per car mile and per fare passenger. It is also of interest to note that in the

companies "with commercial lighting"—that is, in the smaller companies—the increase in the number of conductors reported is exactly equal to the increase in the number of motormen, 5,055. In the group of "Without commercial lighting," therefore, occurs the whole excess in the increase in the number of conductors referred to on page 199.

The averages for the part-time railways are variable

and unreliable because of the peculiar conditions under which they were operated.

*Employee and wage statistics of operating companies, classified according to kind of system and character of service.*—Operating conditions of elevated and subway railways as compared with surface lines, and of interurban lines as compared with urban systems, are very different, as shown by the ratios in the following table:

TABLE 162.—EMPLOYEE AND WAGE STATISTICS OF OPERATING COMPANIES, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO KIND OF SYSTEM AND CHARACTER OF SERVICE: 1907.

	Total, all companies.	CLASSIFICATION GROUP.				
		Kind of system.		Character of service.		
		Electric elevated and subway railways. <sup>1</sup>	Electric surface railways. <sup>2</sup>	Selected interurban lines.	Selected small urban roads.	All other railways.
Number of companies.....	939	6	933	50	100	789
Miles of track.....	34,088.56	420.40	33,668.16	5,567.11	500.69	27,960.76
Car mileage.....	1,610,200,340	143,634,475	1,466,565,805	106,888,537	8,510,860	1,404,890,943
Number of fare passengers.....	7,422,266,331	636,653,072	6,786,613,259	303,238,580	24,456,006	7,094,571,145
<b>Salaried employees:</b>						
Number.....	11,700	362	11,338	1,074	150	10,470
Per 10 miles of track.....	3.43	8.61	3.37	1.93	2.78	3.74
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	7.27	2.52	7.73	10.05	18.33	7.00
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	1.68	0.57	1.67	3.54	6.38	1.48
<b>Salaries:</b>	\$12,000,466	\$569,317	\$12,340,149	\$1,086,540	\$83,534	\$11,739,386
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating expenses.....	6.1	3.8	5.2	0.4	7.4	5.0
Per cent ratio of salaries to operating earnings.....	3.1	1.7	3.2	3.7	5.9	3.0
<b>Wage-earners:</b>						
Average number.....	209,720	12,601	197,228	14,122	954	194,653
Per 10 miles of track.....	61.52	297.36	53.58	26.37	17.01	69.62
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	130.24	87.03	134.47	132.12	112.00	130.21
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	28.26	19.67	29.06	46.57	39.01	27.44
<b>Wages:</b>	\$138,081,633	\$8,588,493	\$120,493,140	\$8,461,135	\$481,531	\$129,138,067
Per cent ratio of wages to operating expenses.....	54.9	56.8	54.8	50.1	42.4	55.4
Per cent ratio of wages to operating earnings.....	33.0	25.4	33.7	20.0	34.2	33.3
<b>Conductors—</b>						
Average number.....	60,032	3,597	56,435	2,941	246	56,846
Wages.....	\$38,234,158	\$2,142,675	\$36,091,583	\$1,818,710	\$131,086	\$36,284,362
<b>Motormen—</b>						
Average number.....	55,480	985	54,501	2,948	325	52,213
Wages.....	\$37,470,890	\$1,030,171	\$36,440,725	\$1,804,045	\$179,008	\$35,426,943
<b>All other employees—</b>						
Average number.....	94,211	7,019	86,202	8,233	383	85,506
Per 10 miles of track.....	27.64	188.37	25.63	14.79	0.83	30.61
Per 1,000,000 car miles.....	58.51	55.13	58.84	77.02	45.00	57.26
Per 1,000,000 fare passengers.....	12.09	12.46	12.72	27.15	15.66	12.06
<b>Wages.....</b>	\$62,376,579	\$5,415,747	\$56,960,832	\$4,777,480	\$171,437	\$57,427,662

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish information in regard to employees and wages.

The number of wage-earners per 10 miles of track for elevated and subway railways is over five times as great as the corresponding number for ordinary surface railways, and over ten times as great as that for the selected interurban lines. The number of wage-earners per million fare passengers, on the other hand, was highest for the interurban lines. The number of wage-earners other than conductors and motormen was largest, as compared with the trackage, for the elevated and subway group, and largest, as compared with the car mileage and fare passengers, for the selected interurban lines.

*Relation of salaries and wages to operating expenses and operating earnings.*—There is an apparent inconsistency in the statistics of employees and wages when the salaries and wages of the occupation groups are compared with the purely wage accounts of the operating expenses (Table 125). The main reason for the disagreement in the two accounts lies in the fact that the itemized statement of operating expenses is a

standardized account prescribed by the American Street and Interurban Railway Accountants' Association, while there is no uniform classification in use relating particularly to employees and wages. The census classification aims to group the employees roughly according to the general occupations of the industry, and when an employee assigned to a particular group in the wage statistics was engaged in more than one kind of work during the year his wages were distributed over several accounts under operating expenses. Conductors and motormen are less liable to be affected by the shifting of work than the other classes of employees, but even for these classes there is a difference in the two accounts, as for example, in Massachusetts, where the wages of conductors and motormen as reported in the wage section exceed the amounts shown in the operating expenses by \$238,075 and \$139,926, respectively. Probably the principal cause for this difference is the fact that the wages of conductors and motormen as they appear in operating

expenses represent only wages of those engaged in operating revenue cars.

The causes affecting the general operating ratio, as stated elsewhere (see p. 175), are applicable as well to a consideration of the per cent ratio of salaries and wages to operating expenses, which for all classes of operating companies shows a decline from 62.1 per cent in 1902 to 60.1 per cent in 1907.

TABLE 163.—Per cent ratio of salaries and wages to operating expenses, by groups of companies: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	PER CENT RATIO.					
	Total.		Salaries.		Wages.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	60.1	62.1	5.1	5.2	54.9	56.8
A. \$1,000,000 and over.....	63.0	64.2	4.5	4.5	58.5	59.0
B. \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.....	57.4	62.3	5.7	4.8	51.7	57.5
C. \$250,000 but less than \$500,000.....	53.2	62.3	6.2	6.2	47.0	56.1
D. \$100,000 but less than \$250,000.....	52.8	58.0	6.8	6.8	46.0	51.2
E. Less than \$100,000.....	49.7	51.9	7.8	7.9	41.9	44.0
Without commercial lighting <sup>1</sup> .....	60.9	62.3	4.8	4.9	56.1	57.3
With commercial lighting.....	50.1	60.8	6.7	7.8	49.4	52.5
Part-time.....	49.5	57.0	7.4	8.4	42.1	48.5
Electric elevated and subway railways <sup>2</sup> .....	60.5	(3)	3.8	(3)	56.8	(3)
Electric surface railways <sup>3</sup> .....	60.1	(3)	5.2	(3)	54.8	(3)
Selected interurban lines.....	56.5	(3)	6.4	(3)	50.1	(3)
Selected small urban roads.....	49.8	(3)	7.4	(3)	42.4	(3)
All other railways.....	60.4	(3)	5.0	(3)	55.4	(3)

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>3</sup> This classification not made for the census of 1902.

\* Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.

For the groups of companies, classified according to size as measured by income, the ratios for the amounts expended in salaries and wages combined uniformly increase from low proportions for the smallest companies to high ones for the largest companies. This is just the reverse of the movement of operating ratios, which ranged highest for the small companies and lowest for the large companies. If, however, the ratios are considered for salaries and wages separately, a marked difference is found. Since consolidation into larger companies tends to reduce the number of salaried employees, the ratios of salaries to operating expenses decrease steadily as the companies grow larger. The reverse is true of the ratios of wages, because the large companies, operating lines in the more densely populated districts, require a comparatively larger force of workmen and a correspondingly greater outlay in wages. Both of these general tendencies are well illustrated by the ratios given for the six large electric elevated and subway railways. The ratio of salaries to expenses for these railways (3.8) is the lowest for any class of companies and the ratio of wages (56.8), next to the highest. The ratio of wages to total operating expenses is lower for electric light and power service than for railway service, as shown by the ratios of wages for companies "with commercial lighting" and for companies "without commercial lighting." Consequently

the expenses incident to electric-light service, as well as the lower rates of wages per man, are the important factors tending to reduce the ratio of wages to total operating expenses for the smaller companies.

Although the range from lowest to highest is practically the same in the case of the ratios for 1902 and those for 1907, it is clear from the comparison that, particularly in Classes B, C, and D, the salaries and wages combined increased between the two censuses at a much slower rate than did other expenses, since they formed a smaller proportion of the total expense in the later year.

The following statement shows the per cent ratio of total salaries and wages to operating expenses, by states, for the two census years, arranged in the order of the ratios. There is a wide range in the percentages for the two censuses, but excluding South Dakota and Nevada, which were not represented in 1902, and which were the highest and lowest states in rank in 1907, there is a very considerable contraction of the range for 1907. There are so many varying conditions and disturbing elements affecting the ratios that a comparison of the percentages, by states, should be made with caution.

Per cent ratio of salaries and wages to operating expenses, by states: 1907 and 1902.

1907		1902	
State.	Per cent ratio.	State.	Per cent ratio.
South Dakota.....	77.9	Idaho.....	80.2
Rhode Island.....	68.9	California.....	74.2
Colorado.....	68.6	Wisconsin.....	72.5
Nebraska.....	60.7	Georgia.....	69.6
Maryland.....	66.3	Oregon.....	67.0
Washington.....	65.5	Maryland.....	66.8
Oregon.....	65.2	Louisiana.....	60.4
Connecticut.....	65.2	Indiana.....	60.3
California.....	64.0	Ohio.....	65.9
New York.....	63.7	Kansas.....	65.0
Michigan.....	63.4	District of Columbia.....	65.0
District of Columbia.....	62.4	Pennsylvania.....	64.7
Louisiana.....	62.2	Washington.....	64.0
Wisconsin.....	61.2	Minnesota.....	63.4
Massachusetts.....	60.9	Colorado.....	63.2
Utah.....	60.8	Alabama.....	62.2
Pennsylvania.....	60.5	Missouri.....	62.1
Missouri.....	60.3	New York.....	62.1
United States.....	60.1	United States.....	62.1
Kansas.....	59.9	Michigan.....	62.0
Maine.....	58.7	West Virginia.....	61.0
Minnesota.....	58.7	Iowa.....	60.8
Montana.....	58.4	Connecticut.....	60.7
Illinois.....	58.1	New Jersey.....	60.6
North Dakota.....	58.1	Arkansas.....	60.5
Arkansas.....	57.3	Rhode Island.....	60.4
Indiana.....	56.4	Massachusetts.....	60.3
Ohio.....	60.0	Texas.....	60.0
Tennessee.....	55.5	Florida.....	59.7
Iowa.....	55.3	Utah.....	59.6
West Virginia.....	54.5	Nebraska.....	57.6
New Jersey.....	54.0	New Mexico.....	57.3
Idaho.....	53.8	Illinois.....	56.8
Florida.....	53.6	Tennessee.....	55.5
Georgia.....	52.4	Vermont.....	55.5
Delaware.....	52.2	Montana.....	53.0
Oklahoma.....	51.6	Maine.....	51.7
Kentucky.....	50.0	Arizona.....	50.8
Texas.....	50.0	Virginia.....	49.7
New Mexico.....	49.9	Delaware.....	49.3
Vermont.....	49.8	North Carolina.....	49.0
Mississippi.....	49.5	Kentucky.....	48.2
Virginia.....	49.1	New Hampshire.....	48.9
Arizona.....	47.4	Mississippi.....	48.8
North Carolina.....	45.8	South Carolina.....	44.9
Alabama.....	45.0		
South Carolina.....	43.6		
New Hampshire.....	36.5		
Nevada.....			

The ratio of combined salaries and wages to operating earnings is very nearly the same in each of the classes of companies, classified according to size as measured by income, while the same general tendency of the ratios of salaries to decrease and of wages to increase as the companies increase in size is observable in this comparison as well as in that based upon operating expenses.

TABLE 164.—Per cent ratio of salaries and wages to operating earnings, by groups of companies: 1907 and 1902.

CLASSIFICATION GROUP.	PER CENT RATIO.					
	Total.		Salaries.		Wages.	
	1907	1902	1907	1902	1907	1902
Total, all companies.....	30.1	35.7	3.1	3.0	33.0	32.7
A. \$1,000,000 and over.....	30.8	35.1	2.6	2.5	34.1	32.6
B. \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000.....	35.0	35.0	3.5	2.8	31.5	33.2
C. \$250,000 but less than \$500,000.....	33.6	37.3	3.0	3.7	29.6	33.0
D. \$100,000 but less than \$250,000.....	33.8	37.3	4.4	4.4	29.5	32.9
E. Less than \$100,000.....	35.8	36.8	5.6	5.0	30.2	31.2
Without commercial lighting <sup>1</sup> .....	36.6	35.8	2.0	2.8	33.7	32.9
With commercial lighting.....	33.8	35.0	4.0	4.5	29.8	30.5
Part-time.....	35.6	33.1	5.3	4.9	30.2	28.2
Electric elevated and subway railways <sup>2</sup> .....	27.0	( <sup>3</sup> )	1.7	( <sup>3</sup> )	25.4	( <sup>3</sup> )
Electric surface railways <sup>4</sup> .....	36.9	( <sup>3</sup> )	3.2	( <sup>3</sup> )	33.7	( <sup>3</sup> )
Selected interurban lines.....	32.7	( <sup>3</sup> )	3.7	( <sup>3</sup> )	29.0	( <sup>3</sup> )
Selected small urban roads.....	40.2	( <sup>3</sup> )	5.0	( <sup>3</sup> )	34.2	( <sup>3</sup> )
All other railways.....	30.3	( <sup>3</sup> )	3.0	( <sup>3</sup> )	33.3	( <sup>3</sup> )

<sup>1</sup> Includes all full-time operating companies not engaged in regular light and power business, without regard to kind of power used.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of the mixed elevated, subway, and surface systems in Boston, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa.

<sup>3</sup> This classification not made for the census of 1902.

<sup>4</sup> Includes the statistics for the few railways not operated by electricity.

*Employees, salaries, and wages, by states.*—Table 165 compares, by states and geographic divisions, the number and compensation for each class of employees reported at the censuses of 1907 and 1902.

The number of conductors in the United States in 1907 exceeded the number of motormen by 4,546, whereas the excess in 1902 was only 138. This excess of conductors over motormen in 1907 was reported chiefly from New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts. It will also be seen that in 1907 the total amount paid for wages of conductors exceeded that for motormen, while at the census of 1902 the aggregate wages of motormen were slightly the larger. In general, the rate of pay for motormen is somewhat higher than that for conductors, but this difference was not sufficient to offset the large increase in the number of conductors as reported for 1907. In the earlier days of horse cars only one employee, the driver, was necessary to operate the car, but with the introduction of mechanical traction two were required—a motorman and a conductor; and later, with the development of elevated and subway railways, interurban lines, and large city systems, where cars are coupled into trains, the number of employees required to operate the units of rolling stock has largely increased. It is a common practice when trailers are used to assign a conductor to each car in the train, especially during the period of congested traffic. It is probable, also, that other classes of trainmen on the elevated and subway lines were classed as conductors.



## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 165.—EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES OF OPERATING COMPANIES,

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Cen- sus.	Num- ber of com- panies.	SALARIED EMPLOYEES.							
			Total.		Salaried officers of corporations.		Other officers, managers, superin- tendents, etc.		Clerks and book- keepers.	
			Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.
United States.....	1907 1902	1 930 2 797	11,700 7,128	\$12,909,466 7,439,716	1,518 1,480	\$3,852,252 2,990,745	2,094 1,327	\$3,580,307 1,819,166	8,088 4,321	\$5,470,847 2,629,805
North Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	366 355	4,854 3,501	4,933,839 3,449,030	627 631	1,399,082 1,210,856	811 659	1,307,855 806,024	3,416 2,211	2,226,302 1,337,150
Maine.....	1907 1902	17 10	88 65	80,675 57,218	20 20	31,422 22,998	19 11	21,237 14,004	40 34	28,016 20,166
New Hampshire.....	1907 1902	16 7	39 25	42,426 20,588	12 8	15,060 9,088	12 5	17,024 6,924	15 12	9,742 5,676
Vermont.....	1907 1902	10 9	34 25	23,456 13,733	18 13	9,803 6,046	8 6	9,770 5,720	8 6	3,883 1,967
Massachusetts.....	1907 1902	62 74	1,041 806	1,060,188 912,549	146 131	320,906 260,036	179 236	274,807 273,777	716 629	455,415 372,137
Rhode Island.....	1907 1902	5 7	126 37	119,400 44,456	10 10	28,509 25,777	16 4	20,401 3,324	100 23	61,490 15,355
Connecticut.....	1907 1902	8 21	222 185	189,420 221,561	21 56	30,492 127,904	25 28	41,084 33,345	176 101	111,244 60,312
New York.....	1907 1902	101 96	1,877 1,221	1,087,942 1,127,405	170 188	403,349 423,451	231 136	487,947 203,010	1,476 897	1,086,646 495,344
New Jersey.....	1907 1902	24 25	431 276	367,073 251,795	48 53	127,342 107,036	96 50	124,361 57,763	292 173	115,370 80,996
Pennsylvania.....	1907 1902	122 97	996 771	1,063,269 799,725	187 152	357,139 222,621	225 183	301,624 297,497	584 430	404,490 279,307
South Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	100 75	1,002 600	1,192,053 689,114	168 159	377,451 200,040	199 108	355,557 140,131	635 339	459,045 188,043
Delaware.....	1907 1902	4 3	18 15	24,106 11,681	5 9	8,058 6,400	5 2	9,400 2,460	8 4	6,048 2,721
Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907 1902	19 18	388 248	441,266 251,002	37 30	120,035 89,949	41 35	76,914 52,233	310 183	235,317 108,820
Virginia.....	1907 1902	22 10	189 106	226,782 73,883	56 47	102,856 42,152	44 18	69,810 17,706	89 41	54,116 18,625
West Virginia.....	1907 1902	15 8	73 46	81,790 46,277	13 13	21,600 20,284	26 10	37,561 6,820	34 23	22,629 13,173
North Carolina.....	1907 1902	11 7	69 42	66,516 28,767	16 15	22,659 14,275	15 5	19,517 6,025	38 22	24,340 7,867
South Carolina.....	1907 1902	7 7	49 40	65,994 31,212	14 13	35,740 17,260	13 12	17,734 9,386	22 15	12,520 4,566
Georgia.....	1907 1902	12 10	158 72	192,029 101,911	22 20	48,690 46,222	29 18	66,710 35,070	107 34	77,229 20,019
Florida.....	1907 1902	10 6	58 37	92,070 39,981	5 12	8,813 18,398	26 8	57,911 9,831	27 17	26,246 11,752
North Central division.....	1907 1902	293 235	3,475 2,202	4,088,813 2,392,200	481 401	1,444,406 1,040,887	694 406	1,133,185 550,501	2,300 1,335	1,511,162 800,812
Ohio.....	1907 1902	73 62	862 563	993,889 541,670	153 131	364,952 269,697	210 91	303,323 118,452	409 341	325,614 153,427
Indiana.....	1907 1902	33 26	489 176	475,809 181,167	64 52	168,032 93,000	106 30	125,858 35,000	319 94	181,019 53,107
Illinois.....	1907 1902	70 48	811 535	1,030,500 609,518	99 97	359,423 237,995	158 88	270,777 152,173	554 350	400,360 278,350
Michigan.....	1907 1902	24 24	319 266	332,679 202,802	43 53	124,433 125,835	43 49	71,435 58,094	233 154	136,811 78,873
Wisconsin.....	1907 1902	20 17	249 173	237,311 140,340	29 30	58,592 53,591	38 28	97,963 32,443	182 115	81,856 60,312
Minnesota.....	1907 1902	5 5	118 88	215,419 110,755	9 9	99,060 43,234	17 15	42,553 29,995	92 64	73,806 37,526
Iowa.....	1907 1902	24 22	172 87	184,783 88,229	33 29	68,011 47,738	35 13	40,898 14,923	104 45	66,874 26,868
Missouri.....	1907 1902	14 10	331 272	441,508 340,013	23 33	127,858 130,140	53 86	112,508 103,110	255 153	201,142 100,757
North and South Dakota.....	1907	5	6	5,574	1	420	3	3,400	2	1,764
Nebraska.....	1907 1902	8 4	50 22	95,599 26,610	9 10	46,081 17,007	12 1	23,800 1,875	29 11	25,688 7,728
Kansas.....	1907 1902	17 11	68 30	69,712 25,184	18 17	20,704 10,599	19 6	26,270 4,730	31 8	16,738 3,864

1 Exclusive of 6 companies which failed to furnish this information.

2 Exclusive of 20 companies which failed to furnish this information.

# EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES.

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BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902.

WAGE-EARNERS.													
Total.		Foremen.		Inspectors.		Conductors.		Motormen.		Starters.		Switchmen.	
Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.
209,720 133,041	\$138,081,033 80,770,440	3,582 1,782	\$3,344,170 1,518,400	1,850 1,095	\$1,617,390 852,029	60,032 40,141	\$38,234,158 24,025,204	55,486 40,003	\$37,470,806 24,617,155	1,442 960	\$1,159,034 721,031	1,808 1,198	\$1,179,440 728,075
102,740 72,427	66,800,195 43,827,514	1,470 731	1,361,024 653,412	912 642	775,755 521,176	20,886 21,681	18,211,017 12,901,395	26,178 21,537	17,512,024 13,323,021	945 635	740,678 488,109	1,230 908	780,143 565,510
1,271 960	788,791 520,002	25 4	20,875 3,502	5	3,047	308 258	188,496 141,041	313 259	191,256 142,135	7 8	4,770 3,600	3	1,437
570 357	347,899 203,823	20 4	10,720 3,505	9 2	5,058 1,601	184 123	102,779 67,079	180 123	102,016 67,630	5 5	4,334 2,061	1	520
232 165	133,050 97,823	11 7	8,700 4,020	1 1	800 641	60 55	37,950 33,683	65 56	36,306 34,109			1	543
17,255 13,998	11,841,012 8,980,513	273 195	270,604 180,795	124 114	112,035 90,266	4,974 4,084	3,351,498 2,630,947	4,802 4,001	3,374,392 2,711,885	420 192	305,011 140,436	98 102	51,485 98,153
2,860 1,609	1,771,086 1,000,423	56 29	63,029 27,005	13 15	11,237 12,770	771 424	426,904 304,091	770 419	438,900 300,305	10 6	8,178 5,017	12 10	5,460 8,830
4,402 2,630	2,075,780 1,402,800	171 48	163,401 38,202	32 15	20,823 10,054	1,141 780	751,187 442,679	1,141 778	751,331 442,425	34 15	27,601 12,069	23 13	6,893 6,079
46,001 33,102	30,431,835 19,800,755	447 205	423,213 179,159	517 316	440,411 261,688	12,946 9,601	7,025,878 5,523,938	9,748 9,204	6,894,044 5,796,023	317 262	275,281 208,182	707 591	538,713 303,921
6,308 3,880	3,004,462 2,370,078	73 71	69,524 63,230	60 85	49,117 68,270	1,985 1,237	1,172,483 745,342	1,071 1,218	1,199,136 753,769	79 90	63,483 60,710	51 45	18,998 18,800
23,844 16,721	14,006,271 9,286,237	394 108	323,878 140,074	151 94	121,837 75,386	7,508 5,059	4,554,682 3,006,195	7,179 5,479	4,524,683 3,074,740	73 57	52,014 41,984	274 81	150,094 39,046
14,042 9,233	7,000,754 4,443,018	222 135	185,244 92,859	85 43	67,104 29,138	3,906 2,788	2,187,020 1,277,248	3,096 2,724	2,252,078 1,301,308	138 70	105,076 52,033	80 55	36,177 24,175
871 236	246,225 160,104	4 4	3,300 2,820	0 1	3,638 913	128 82	87,090 60,080	128 82	87,144 60,080	4 3	2,600 2,801	2 2	1,110 1,278
5,633 4,323	3,413,082 2,306,191	86 38	74,465 26,837	7 3	6,498 2,700	1,730 1,452	1,002,673 720,858	1,813 1,372	1,052,082 732,106	70 52	60,901 35,564	43 40	21,587 10,422
2,542 960	1,386,246 423,319	11 30	8,734 17,548	20 5	14,391 3,185	605 259	353,112 114,522	610 247	359,742 114,326	37 2	23,313 1,339	12 9	5,439 2,200
1,284 621	757,092 362,003	34 13	25,571 9,890	0 2	4,140 1,200	324 195	212,580 110,890	321 204	211,345 118,573	5 4	4,440 2,530		
610 376	285,728 120,280	18 10	15,366 7,292	7 2	5,437 1,200	163 94	68,846 20,088	165 95	70,117 29,762	1 3	600 1,020	2 2	1,008 303
616 372	277,665 147,979	26 16	20,770 12,395	5 4	3,500 2,920	148 113	66,866 37,031	151 113	67,527 38,277	2 1	1,248 455	3 1	1,151 300
2,294 1,971	1,173,846 755,355	28 15	22,642 9,871	24 20	23,346 12,923	606 493	207,288 158,480	616 512	302,376 170,243	9 8	8,580 6,208	11 1	2,422 606
742 374	419,070 162,781	15 9	14,396 6,206	10 6	6,214 4,097	193 100	98,586 39,399	192 99	102,345 37,851	5 3	3,814 1,426	7	3,460
62,445 37,203	41,670,604 23,041,446	1,256 606	1,120,415 470,950	532 295	448,221 189,089	17,713 11,234	11,902,675 7,034,268	10,712 10,813	11,684,210 6,901,140	251 189	206,003 137,550	373 175	273,825 97,194
15,061 9,451	9,350,506 5,475,397	240 155	124,751 124,191	109 117	91,829 80,507	4,235 2,910	2,000,968 1,063,807	4,253 3,019	2,734,420 1,701,552	88 50	69,744 36,425	52 44	32,002 19,051
5,259 2,448	3,081,212 1,289,718	123 70	84,709 47,150	53 12	40,820 10,271	1,151 637	718,095 332,116	1,174 674	750,336 364,174	14 4	8,437 2,600	2 2	1,173 546
19,006 11,057	13,827,026 7,267,270	341 120	300,688 105,138	151 37	112,172 28,520	6,045 3,538	4,247,358 2,444,020	4,876 2,738	3,768,417 2,004,870	65 41	57,653 33,273	235 96	197,431 62,457
5,632 3,192	3,819,074 2,003,174	169 58	166,245 45,791	97 51	85,203 34,220	1,485 895	943,140 592,003	1,509 951	976,712 631,592	42 50	35,411 35,577	15 10	6,883 4,415
2,650 2,042	1,742,823 1,300,421	37 61	36,902 39,318	12 6	11,352 2,980	647 406	438,799 260,208	696 477	470,949 310,462	2 4	755 2,520		
2,417 1,509	1,854,274 970,044	43 42	48,630 35,218	23 7	23,579 5,400	747 475	579,924 296,127	776 482	610,387 294,234	12 8	11,001 5,220	24 12	13,531 5,760
2,147 1,516	1,378,258 799,671	44 30	35,808 25,578	7 17	5,040 10,700	559 377	360,825 177,629	566 443	384,001 230,912	15 5	13,041 3,720	1	660
7,619 5,186	5,392,123 3,432,170	213 56	201,387 43,365	64 13	62,113 9,980	2,255 1,767	1,593,546 1,109,345	2,245 1,740	1,602,016 1,100,274	9 26	7,321 18,375	43 10	21,545 4,600
65	37,160	1	900			23	12,123	24	13,097			1	600
1,193 627	787,725 350,958	13 9	13,140 7,502	12 2	11,760 1,560	380 172	246,497 119,273	388 187	256,597 119,095	3 1	2,400 780		
706 275	394,327 143,623	23 5	19,195 3,648	4 3	3,384 1,042	186 57	101,394 27,020	205 102	117,218 53,381	1	840		

\* No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota, and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 165.—EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES OF OPERATING COMPANIES,

STATE OR TERRITORY.	Cen- sus.	Num- ber of com- panies.	SALARIED EMPLOYEES.							
			Total.		Salaried officers of corporations.		Other officers, managers, superin- tendents, etc.		Clerks and book- keepers.	
			Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.	Number.	Salaries.
South Central division.....	1907	90	722	\$850,746	121	\$270,902	161	\$280,747	440	\$299,097
	1902	66	337	418,661	117	233,856	60	79,838	160	104,957
Kentucky.....	1907	13	77	115,738	20	48,605	18	35,550	39	81,583
	1902	12	59	73,259	25	44,832	11	11,099	23	17,323
Tennessee.....	1907	9	166	176,628	20	48,594	35	53,303	111	74,731
	1902	8	49	64,872	16	32,075	11	18,054	22	14,743
Alabama.....	1907	10	97	124,185	23	51,161	16	28,706	58	44,318
	1902	9	57	65,245	12	24,701	12	21,940	33	18,004
Mississippi.....	1907	8	46	44,045	11	12,685	10	14,193	25	17,157
	1902	6	21	17,699	11	12,959	1	300	9	4,440
Louisiana.....	1907	11	75	94,979	11	51,778	7	10,614	57	32,587
	1902	8	62	35,723	20	53,567	6	8,049	36	24,507
Arkansas.....	1907	8	58	57,424	6	7,775	15	28,160	37	21,489
	1902	7	23	18,250	8	9,099	6	3,042	9	5,509
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1907	8	34	31,400	9	10,657	7	9,803	18	10,940
Texas.....	1907	23	169	206,347	21	39,647	53	100,418	95	66,282
	1902	17	66	92,603	25	56,623	13	16,154	28	19,826
Western division.....	1907	91	1,647	1,844,015	121	359,751	229	503,023	1,297	981,241
	1902	66	482	590,721	112	238,206	94	153,072	270	198,843
Montana.....	1907	5	20	34,006	1	3,127	6	20,185	13	10,694
	1902	5	14	20,825	5	11,150	1	1,600	8	8,076
Colorado.....	1907	11	133	183,991	29	72,228	24	40,049	80	62,714
	1902	7	74	87,737	18	38,813	12	18,456	44	30,468
Washington.....	1907	14	302	410,808	20	68,881	64	152,950	278	200,037
	1902	8	89	109,143	24	50,775	9	19,580	56	33,788
Oregon.....	1907	8	93	104,881	4	30,000	7	12,373	82	62,568
	1902	6	35	44,207	10	20,733	8	10,965	17	12,569
California.....	1907	41	904	954,742	57	168,515	104	223,436	743	532,791
	1902	34	255	309,822	48	103,628	61	99,811	140	106,388
All other Western states and territories <sup>2</sup> .....	1907	12	135	149,527	10	22,000	24	45,030	101	82,497
	1902	6	15	18,987	7	13,107	3	3,260	5	2,020
Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>3</sup> .....	1907	4	32	45,789	5	5,258	10	25,474	17	15,057
	1902	5	22	25,170	9	8,959	2	5,800	11	10,420

<sup>1</sup> No company reported in 1902.<sup>2</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.

# EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES.

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BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

WAGE-EARNERS													
Total.		Foremen.		Inspectors.		Conductors.		Motormen.		Starters.		Switchmen.	
Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.
12,331 6,394	\$7,000,037 3,403,786	180 110	\$173,121 98,228	140 92	\$123,989 65,912	3,074 1,718	\$2,044,483 881,385	3,773 2,177	\$2,134,650 1,173,051	46 34	\$40,074 23,699	42 17	\$18,510 6,409
2,375 1,331	1,342,212 678,070	35 25	31,360 18,138	35 20	34,974 20,240	730 236	427,095 99,084	827 557	448,022 288,499	12 14	9,653 10,220	5 0	2,009 3,285
2,002 1,205	1,174,200 533,878	35 24	34,397 19,980	24 20	24,346 12,333	601 385	335,586 104,145	607 399	340,845 170,851	8 4	9,893 2,400	4 1	1,994 805
1,645 921	917,545 481,045	34 18	32,646 16,044	29 20	22,622 15,215	403 208	236,584 105,877	390 217	234,125 112,639	2	1,740	7	4,121
437 137	222,007 72,178	9 3	7,275 1,865	4 2	3,120 1,105	112 28	48,216 15,229	121 32	53,409 17,351	3 1	2,400 480	2	1,260
2,684 1,646	1,573,040 1,081,875	12 22	12,443 22,138	17 18	15,809 14,310	860 525	472,867 346,139	865 538	474,978 351,206	6 8	5,580 6,180	17 10	4,286 2,759
567 225	333,906 112,065	11 2	10,200 1,021	3	2,847	132 55	70,715 21,905	108 85	93,815 44,175	3 3	2,126 1,707		
342	155,208	2	1,440	1	840	110	54,096	110	51,419	2	2,100	2	1,343
2,189 929	1,341,253 503,475	42 22	43,300 18,436	27 3	24,431 2,700	670 231	308,424 129,006	685 340	431,377 182,270	10 4	7,212 2,712	5	3,407
18,162 8,384	14,530,043 5,994,685	454 154	504,306 190,942	181 53	197,251 50,314	4,563 2,720	3,888,003 1,840,908	4,827 2,752	3,886,434 1,858,629	67 26	65,403 24,640	83 43	70,785 35,678
231 178	288,177 172,043	4 5	5,675 0,235	1	1,139	75 60	97,692 57,842	77 55	100,283 51,886			11	12,809
1,005 979	1,255,650 734,519	31 12	42,074 12,870	4 8	4,040 7,479	403 206	364,801 224,862	485 302	361,961 231,201	1	825	2 4	1,152 2,400
3,704 1,250	2,950,382 808,737	58 44	60,072 45,303	28 14	29,235 14,760	1,019 340	742,974 222,103	1,013 353	747,266 222,087	13	11,576	4	3,109
1,123 490	963,781 304,050	14 12	17,120 14,480	9 1	9,735 900	379 152	337,102 126,473	378 155	335,801 126,626	1	1,080		
10,562 5,187	8,372,854 3,588,889	335 118	367,140 114,934	132 28	146,177 25,075	2,038 1,709	2,154,764 1,141,482	2,623 1,770	2,140,069 1,147,317	50 24	49,762 22,720	66 39	53,715 33,278
877 300	690,103 205,841	12 3	12,285 3,120	7 2	0,925 1,200	240 94	100,070 68,146	251 111	192,024 79,452	2 2	2,100 1,920		
305 381	198,142 177,620	2 7	1,425 5,540	6 1	2,017 1,500	99 78	58,412 35,238	101 116	50,112 58,257			1	250

\* Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 165.—EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES OF OPERATING COMPANIES,

1	2	STATE OR TERRITORY.	Census.	WAGE-EARNERS—continued.									
				Road and track men.		Linemen.		Electricians.		Car and motor repairers. <sup>1</sup>		Engineers.	
				Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.
1	2	United States.....	1907 1902	22,401 11,474	\$12,368,690 5,611,425	3,606 2,288	\$2,831,897 1,563,478	1,525 1,150	\$1,384,061 901,524	13,476	\$9,200,140	1,948 1,751	\$1,923,084 1,527,793
3	4	North Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	11,546 6,179	6,554,988 3,010,711	1,492 1,139	1,149,394 781,025	649 722	567,219 578,168	6,672	4,401,547	850 805	853,089 697,338
5	6	Maine.....	1907 1902	176 158	95,866 66,704	38 25	23,985 14,533	17 46	12,220 33,528	92	59,882	32 32	25,408 23,802
7	8	New Hampshire.....	1907 1902	80 35	50,921 18,099	9 9	8,084 5,049	2 4	1,167 8,169	30	22,499	9 10	8,154 9,035
9	10	Vermont.....	1907 1902	33 19	16,844 8,874	4 3	2,250 1,688	4 1	3,088 800	14	8,242	6 4	4,831 2,849
11	12	Massachusetts.....	1907 1902	1,908 889	1,116,210 462,163	327 239	247,663 108,390	51 80	45,757 64,817	950	677,277	186 196	190,881 181,589
13	14	Rhode Island.....	1907 1902	473 211	246,331 118,489	45 26	32,303 20,078	5 15	5,846 11,077	250	211,613	11 16	11,390 16,271
15	16	Connecticut.....	1907 1902	784 325	352,902 146,569	80 98	60,171 61,842	7 18	5,217 13,144	345	234,706	75 57	80,274 51,621
17	18	New York.....	1907 1902	4,921 2,778	2,910,585 1,411,386	595 430	490,415 320,209	481 320	418,891 201,034	3,127	1,944,656	225 209	289,049 192,207
19	20	New Jersey.....	1907 1902	486 243	229,422 108,360	105 68	85,057 44,015	10 25	9,187 21,477	772	516,509	57 37	54,240 31,294
21	22	Pennsylvania.....	1907 1902	2,476 1,521	1,535,957 777,117	239 241	187,466 145,061	72 213	65,840 144,622	1,092	726,163	249 244	238,802 188,610
23	24	South Atlantic division.....	1907 1902	1,279 993	559,219 321,274	299 252	203,371 133,701	76 60	65,879 44,469	918	589,105	181 174	164,570 142,447
25	26	Delaware.....	1907 1902	24 17	8,744 5,575	4 5	3,294 3,325	2 1	1,530 912	26	18,799	4 8	3,300 7,740
27	28	Maryland and District of Columbia.....	1907 1902	369 330	180,823 133,624	56 64	40,352 36,287	25 29	22,712 19,653	595	411,167	32 42	33,252 35,956
29	30	Virginia.....	1907 1902	225 71	90,975 21,355	94 34	55,205 16,641	21 10	16,743 7,537	13	7,490	40 36	38,161 26,791
31	32	West Virginia.....	1907 1902	274 62	132,562 27,722	29 14	20,220 9,094	3 4	3,060 3,800	49	30,830	34 28	28,018 20,608
33	34	North Carolina.....	1907 1902	65 60	22,807 14,799	33 25	19,806 8,929	13 8	10,800 1,800	23	10,793	23 19	17,353 14,060
35	36	South Carolina.....	1907 1902	78 35	20,685 9,380	19 12	10,835 5,836	4 3	3,705 3,250	27	12,698	11 7	10,201 6,660
37	38	Georgia.....	1907 1902	194 384	78,348 100,512	58 82	43,704 42,475	7 9	6,489 6,906	134	63,198	20 23	17,607 20,785
39	40	Florida.....	1907 1902	50 34	24,775 8,301	6 16	3,835 11,174	1 1	840 551	51	34,180	17 11	16,618 9,857
41	42	North Central division.....	1907 1902	6,534 2,910	3,466,230 1,415,500	1,180 591	902,340 366,603	526 256	434,779 180,544	3,584	2,457,577	644 550	616,595 462,301
43	44	Ohio.....	1907 1902	1,751 928	839,048 407,765	235 193	192,743 132,583	85 79	73,799 55,225	1,035	675,041	223 168	215,413 146,168
45	46	Indiana.....	1907 1902	563 320	268,296 134,931	151 69	96,682 41,070	94 9	61,766 7,000	350	237,844	84 54	70,260 36,362
47	48	Illinois.....	1907 1902	2,299 693	1,202,815 346,333	368 97	287,624 71,274	181 67	153,164 47,711	1,079	788,504	117 104	119,343 92,442
49	50	Michigan.....	1907 1902	532 344	361,038 167,454	118 58	93,650 37,981	39 23	35,731 18,624	425	280,067	66 59	67,768 52,190
51	52	Wisconsin.....	1907 1902	224 77	135,090 39,465	72 48	57,038 29,515	18 14	14,025 9,767	82	59,200	34 31	29,971 25,293
53	54	Minnesota.....	1907 1902	96 63	60,172 40,340	27 17	23,249 11,514	34 17	29,362 10,812	91	69,022	10 15	13,260 13,145
55	56	Iowa.....	1907 1902	265 201	121,935 91,124	59 59	40,948 38,300	24 21	19,486 15,330	79	52,765	51 44	42,361 32,957
57	58	Missouri.....	1907 1902	614 301	372,769 169,606	122 42	92,760 32,242	33 19	32,547 14,715	366	239,784	35 59	39,796 51,119
59		North and South Dakota <sup>2</sup> .....	1907	6	4,510	1	120			1	720	2	1,440
60	61	Nebraska.....	1907 1902	81 21	39,583 9,048	10 4	11,563 2,844	5 3	5,040 2,920	44	37,132	4 4	4,080 3,225
62	63	Kansas.....	1907 1902	193 46	52,043 19,434	11 4	5,966 2,340	13 4	9,859 3,780	26	10,898	18 12	12,903 9,400

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately in 1902.

# EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES.

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BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

WAGE-EARNERS—continued.												
Dynamo and switchboard men.		Firemen.		Other mechanics.		Hostlers, stablemen, etc.		Watchmen.		All other employees.		
Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	
1,903 1,167	\$1,433,304 761,304	3,282 2,094	\$2,300,819 1,735,647	11,264 9,107	\$8,034,588 6,312,119	1,132 1,345	\$732,705 813,425	1,454 921	\$789,181 497,103	23,418 16,475	\$14,068,971 8,603,237	1 2
783 477	612,000 309,755	1,468 1,350	1,090,003 912,123	6,505 5,154	4,617,217 3,499,392	731 886	481,010 500,444	840 562	435,529 308,943	10,792 9,013	6,715,748 4,630,983	3 4
16 3	10,201 1,200	38 20	25,023 15,900	16 30	9,362 19,093	6 36	3,726 19,000	22 13	14,631 7,596	157 59	97,010 32,439	5 6
		4 0	2,870 3,735	12 19	9,286 12,447	1 3	730 1,095	6 10	3,087 5,822	15 4	7,205 1,706	7 8
9	6,817	4 2	1,033 1,140	1 3	450 1,800	1 3	572 1,052	3 4	1,580 2,107	6 7	3,047 3,554	9 10
52 65	38,125 40,403	318 242	231,986 153,939	1,380 1,532	891,340 1,020,518	141 105	80,883 60,724	114 130	74,482 72,231	1,137 1,772	771,693 860,007	11 12
20 2	17,884 1,824	23 27	15,541 18,410	205 87	148,747 55,285	5 3	2,378 1,015	16 20	11,167 12,402	166 293	113,158 185,944	13 14
35 15	21,375 10,400	40 54	42,531 38,038	27 103	22,152 105,406	8 10	5,726 5,810	11 26	7,745 15,146	439 121	406,655 64,256	15 16
414 302	361,732 182,213	503 578	395,978 420,410	3,720 1,000	2,803,527 1,263,288	518 546	349,756 350,287	409 173	193,000 98,872	6,346 5,957	4,128,087 2,800,078	17 18
26 41	22,438 27,924	111 67	92,500 36,307	41 423	24,443 245,448	15 38	9,061 27,034	45 40	28,211 21,240	421 152	260,653 87,708	19 20
211 40	133,388 30,701	418 351	281,032 218,184	1,103 1,228	707,010 775,201	36 142	10,178 77,558	214 146	100,051 73,527	2,105 648	935,680 504,731	21 22
142 70	91,382 43,917	240 185	141,436 99,974	305 492	220,222 314,756	45 37	22,967 15,632	97 73	47,532 32,857	1,978 1,067	1,021,162 517,170	23 24
22	10,549	4 10	2,700 6,861	10	8,005	1	625	4 1	2,013 630	8 10	3,600 5,075	25 26
19 22	15,311 15,799	56 56	42,500 37,821	55 304	41,770 243,026	14 22	8,032 10,340	32 40	17,717 18,198	622 397	375,390 211,001	27 28
23 13	13,807 0,520	46 29	25,786 12,962	237 31	138,065 15,530	13 3	4,994 1,213	30 8	13,682 3,000	505 173	216,547 58,566	29 30
10 0	0,100 2,880	23 23	15,428 13,414	10 19	5,500 11,358	0 4	5,400 1,800	3 4	1,020 1,090	100 39	49,978 10,194	31 32
8 2	4,374 840	30 10	15,480 6,268	11 8	5,374 2,791	2 2	810 280	10 5	4,078 2,053	36 27	13,179 8,151	33 34
13 7	7,135 4,112	14 8	7,141 4,214	18 10	8,026 5,690	1 2	300 408	7 5	2,065 2,100	89 35	33,212 13,985	35 36
30 24	20,707 10,650	38 30	16,950 13,156	23 33	16,959 19,535	3 3	1,722 1,054	6 4	3,012 1,396	481 330	248,436 180,450	37 38
11 5	7,340 3,008	29 10	15,331 5,278	11 17	4,528 7,012	2 1	484 408	5 6	2,445 3,421	137 56	80,820 23,742	39 40
715 472	464,454 302,087	1,188 808	811,785 404,075	2,098 2,548	2,168,493 1,723,471	257 271	165,644 140,370	344 185	191,158 94,563	7,038 5,330	4,355,582 2,923,066	41 42
179 110	112,218 73,611	305 231	241,728 141,326	372 604	239,190 441,032	27 43	16,644 21,207	80 42	52,577 22,547	1,714 698	895,881 349,400	43 44
69 27	46,054 18,987	132 52	85,602 27,631	130 219	94,502 122,280	5 47	2,835 25,346	38 16	20,174 5,970	1,111 230	493,528 112,558	45 46
202 183	184,208 109,055	260 101	197,893 124,463	903 732	647,142 498,597	130 107	89,830 59,912	76 41	40,209 21,610	2,269 2,362	1,432,485 1,126,086	47 48
55 60	40,658 43,270	112 67	80,934 41,636	311 273	249,035 165,002	5 9	2,870 4,404	53 30	20,007 14,745	599 245	364,656 114,201	49 50
29 38	15,087 24,928	50 37	28,810 21,713	268 108	212,220 84,656	12 7	6,495 3,263	10 12	5,855 0,023	427 715	219,375 430,885	51 52
9 14	8,824 10,884	24 24	18,420 10,258	83 98	85,094 67,595	5 8	2,074 4,560	18 3	9,649 1,643	395 224	239,096 163,334	53 54
19 5	10,148 2,820	89 67	54,156 36,182	98 121	60,741 78,901	50 15	29,486 7,874	14 8	6,441 3,999	207 103	130,396 43,945	55 56
54 24	41,312 16,012	110 112	79,934 73,824	674 271	479,029 224,502	14 32	10,613 18,629	39 23	23,772 12,901	729 601	491,333 541,781	57 58
		1	450	2	1,500					3	1,706	59
6 1	4,640 900	19 17	14,730 11,190	110 52	84,840 34,220	4 1	2,160 900	4 5	2,040 2,664	104 48	51,523 34,477	60 61
3 1	315 720	17 10	9,038 5,852	8 10	5,600 6,080	5 2	2,637 575	3 5	1,434 2,452	80 14	35,603 6,399	62 63

\* No company reported in 1902 for North Dakota and the 1 company in South Dakota in 1902 failed to furnish this information.



## STREET AND ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

TABLE 165.—EMPLOYEES, SALARIES, AND WAGES OF OPERATING COMPANIES,

STATE OR TERRITORY.		Census.	WAGE-EARNERS—continued.									
			Road and track men.		Linemen.		Electricians.		Car and motor repairers. <sup>1</sup>		Engineers.	
			Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.
64	South Central division.....	1907	1,230	\$514,120	251	\$185,442	70	\$72,118	708	\$437,011	150	\$145,597
65		1902	624	260,410	124	84,981	28	19,896			105	94,304
66	Kentucky.....	1907	292	138,729	35	27,844	7	7,920	58	35,817	21	20,289
67		1902	165	78,309	26	18,892	13	7,752			20	16,041
68	Tennessee.....	1907	177	48,478	37	30,510	16	18,060	106	63,382	18	18,090
69		1902	141	47,282	22	12,214					15	13,573
70	Alabama.....	1907	200	81,515	42	34,364	10	7,495	113	60,835	18	18,232
71		1902	63	22,728	21	14,217	1	900			12	10,960
72	Mississippi.....	1907	89	15,119	25	15,811	9	7,630	30	17,471	22	19,038
73		1902	19	8,708	6	4,432	2	2,100			7	6,190
74	Louisiana.....	1907	214	100,905	34	27,171	3	4,200	217	139,896	21	23,436
75		1902	86	42,810	23	19,303	4	3,240			23	20,340
76	Arkansas.....	1907	57	23,053	21	12,096	16	13,524	36	22,795	13	11,054
77		1902	19	8,548	4	2,541					12	6,930
78	Oklahoma <sup>2</sup> .....	1907	85	13,585	6	2,924	3	1,848	11	6,616	2	1,218
79	Texas.....	1907	207	92,736	51	34,722	15	11,441	137	90,199	35	32,740
80		1902	131	55,077	22	13,832	8	5,903			16	14,270
81	Western division.....	1907	2,012	1,274,180	444	391,341	195	244,066	1,594	1,314,909	123	143,233
82		1902	768	407,680	182	154,098	84	77,448			117	131,403
83	Montana.....	1907	10	12,997	3	2,690	1	1,050	10	13,198		
84		1902	19	17,296	7	3,619	1	854			3	4,927
85	Colorado.....	1907	147	92,681	25	25,004	19	23,041	85	74,535	29	33,555
86		1902	130	72,128	40	35,143	6	6,439			21	24,024
87	Washington.....	1907	402	342,173	144	119,763	40	38,953	366	306,446	29	34,570
88		1902	121	86,362	68	58,885	20	19,270			26	26,895
89	Oregon.....	1907	112	71,746	26	18,655			138	118,332	1	540
90		1902	52	34,156	11	8,443	2	2,280			9	9,364
91	California.....	1907	1,263	706,110	221	199,805	126	169,637	886	707,344	58	67,814
92		1902	899	261,250	53	45,008	54	47,885			56	64,573
93	All other Western states and terri- tories. <sup>2</sup>	1907	72	48,453	25	25,424	9	10,785	100	100,054	6	6,764
94		1902	47	26,388	3	3,000	1	720			2	1,620
95	Hawaii and Porto Rico <sup>4</sup> .....	1907	23	9,300	6	3,934	2	2,590	10	13,607	8	7,793
96		1902	44	17,219	7	2,608	1	1,320			7	7,717

<sup>1</sup> Not reported separately in 1902.<sup>2</sup> No company reported in 1902.

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BY STATES AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS: 1907 AND 1902—Continued.

WAGE-EARNERS—continued.												
Dynamo and switchboard men.		Firemen.		Other mechanics.		Hostlers, stablemen, etc.		Watchmen.		All other employees.		
Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	Average number.	Wages.	
79 50	\$58,074 81,216	248 136	\$151,505 71,582	192 388	\$134,198 270,299	35 60	\$16,487 20,999	58 59	\$29,427 32,000	1,440 660	\$775,631 319,866	64 65
26 2	18,951 1,120	55 32	33,655 17,039	22 98	16,403 67,544	1 11	468 6,022	8 14	1,750 10,285	155 33	80,583 10,091	66 67
5 3	4,020 1,065	34 19	18,261 6,988	25 67	14,890 33,227	4 8	2,382 3,291	8 12	3,373 4,200	383 85	199,723 35,978	68 69
10 9	8,891 4,790	30 16	18,988 8,210	67 56	45,478 39,886	6 15	3,215 7,840	22 6	11,157 2,190	253 259	95,542 110,551	70 71
3 2	1,480 913	26 10	14,080 5,638	5 5	2,988 3,148	2	1,092	1	639	25 19	9,758 7,385	72 73
13 31	11,080 21,016	25 25	17,507 16,780	10 97	6,770 79,538	6 12	2,284 7,020	14 18	9,136 10,934	350 206	245,298 112,107	74 75
8 2	5,069 1,682	18 16	10,133 6,233	17 14	14,125 12,069	6 6	3,773 2,810	5 1	2,178 480	53 6	35,803 2,494	76 77
14 1	8,583 600	58 18	37,020 10,690	40 51	30,350 34,892	6 8	2,310 3,516	5 7	1,687 3,872	182 58	91,295 25,090	79 80
244 89	207,444 73,720	138 209	115,090 157,893	1,204 615	894,458 504,201	64 91	46,687 60,980	116 42	85,585 28,140	1,564 399	1,200,848 302,162	81 82
3 12	2,708 11,143	4 37	4,407 31,353	3 143	4,050 114,278	2 4	2,190 3,452	6 1	0,054 1,148	22 8	27,780 8,837	83 84
10 71	9,088 59,516	37 56	30,737 43,708	87 118	28,601 105,819	1 2	730 1,620	17 2	10,488 1,104	74 72	63,995 45,863	85 86
25	20,560	40	35,880	73	63,744	11 5	4,893 3,780	15 4	10,476 2,580	377 99	289,803 70,628	87 88
2	1,440	16	11,420	43	36,874	1	600	13 8	11,418 5,405	52 26	47,192 15,635	89 90
137 48	118,673 38,433	39 101	34,894 74,333	930 437	669,411 354,352	46 77	35,775 50,442	58 25	43,079 10,073	945 183	608,785 150,234	91 92
24 1	18,112 600	6 2	5,135 1,110	1 17	900 10,698	4 2	3,099 1,080	6 2	3,120 1,170	94 11	73,293 5,055	93 94
3	287	12 5	5,092 2,895	19 27	9,620 17,133	6 47	1,503 14,111	5 5	1,896 1,210	54 35	20,504 12,022	95 96

\* Includes states and territories as follows: 1907—Arizona, 4; Idaho, 2; Nevada, 1; New Mexico, 2; Utah, 3. 1902—Arizona, 1; Idaho, 1; New Mexico, 1; Utah, 3.  
 † Includes companies as follows: 1907—Hawaii, 1; Porto Rico, 3. 1902—Hawaii, 3; Porto Rico, 2.

## CHAPTER IX.

### SALE OF CURRENT BY ELECTRIC-RAILWAY COMPANIES.

There appears to be a tendency among electric-railway companies to control all electric plants along their lines of service. There are numerous instances in which such plants are controlled by railway companies through the ownership of a part of the stock or bond issue. In such cases, however, the statistics for the electric plants are entirely distinct from those for the railways, and are included not in the present report on street and electric railways, but in the report on central electric light and power stations. When, on the other hand, such plants, from which current is sold, are owned and operated directly by the electric-railway company, the statistics have been included in the street and electric-railway census, and are included in the present report. As it was obviously desirable that the statistics for these electric light and power plants owned and operated by electric-railway companies should also be included with those of the census report on central light and power stations, these statistics, as far as possible, have been segregated and presented separately. Of the operating railway companies reporting the ownership of light and power plants, 29 had systems of book-keeping which made possible the preparation of separate census data for the two branches of the business. Accordingly, the statistics for these light and power plants were assigned to the report on central electric light and power stations, except that the investments in such light plants, which amounted to \$17,316,051, are carried in the balance sheets of the railway companies.<sup>1</sup>

There were 330 railway companies in 1907 and 251 in 1902 that reported the sale of electricity in large or small quantities to other electric companies or for general commercial purposes. The statistics for the sale of electricity by these companies, for the respective censuses, have been included in the report on street and electric railways, because it was impossible to segregate the capital, expenses, employees, etc., for the two branches of service. The importance and growth of this branch of the electric-railway industry are shown by the amounts and the increase of the annual income derived from it. The income from this source was \$7,703,574 in 1902 and \$20,093,302 in 1907, an increase of \$12,389,728, or 160.8 per cent.

<sup>1</sup> See also p. 116.

A further indication of the magnitude of the interests involved in this service is the amount, given in Table 125, as expended for wages, supplies, and expenses incident to the electric service. Although the expenditure for such purposes was returned as \$6,168,873 in 1907 and \$2,188,753 in 1902, neither amount represents the entire expense, because in most cases the expenses of the power plant and the expenses of other service incident to the sale of the current could not be separated.

The growth of electric railways since the census of 1902 has been accompanied by a large increase in the sale of electricity to other roads or to the general public for light, power, or other purposes. The establishment of electric departments by railways in the smaller cities and towns affords electric light and power service in places that could not support independent light plants, and in many cases is an additional source of revenue for the railways without a corresponding increase in expense, since commercial light and power service supplied from railway lines can often be arranged as an aid in equalizing the current load.

There were 177 railway companies in 1907 and 118 in 1902 that reported the sale of current in such large quantities and for use in such a variety of industries that it was deemed essential to secure some detailed statistics concerning this branch of the business, although it was not possible to make a complete segregation so as to combine the statistics with those in the special report on central electric light and power stations. The statistics that could be separated are summarized in this chapter.

*Income.*—Although the statistics given in the following table do not represent the entire income derived from the sale of electric current by railway companies, the items for which the income is shown separately indicate the various uses for which electricity is now being supplied.

Practically all of the machines devoted to the generation of current for sale by these companies were located in the power houses containing the equipment for the generation of current to be used in the operation of the railways. Of the 177 companies selling current in large quantities in 1907, 6 did not generate their own power but purchased their entire current supply from other companies.

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TABLE 166.—Electric light and power plants operated by electric railways—Income, by class of service: 1907 and 1902.

CLASS OF SERVICE.	INCOME.		Per cent of increase.
	1907	1902	
Number of operating companies.....	177	118	50.0
Income:			
Aggregate.....	\$17,201,824	\$6,469,726	167.3
From electric service.....	10,576,555	6,271,815	164.3
Lighting.....	13,273,295	5,492,669	141.7
Commercial.....	11,018,338	4,074,684	170.4
Public.....	2,254,957	1,417,985	59.0
Arc lamps.....	1,053,874	1,207,884	54.2
Incandescent lamps.....	207,183	150,601	97.3
Other lamps (Nernst, vacuum, vapor, etc.).....	3,895	(1)	.....
Stationary-motor service.....	2,686,013	708,040	249.6
Electric-railway service (exclusive of company's own cars).....	330,500	6,630	4,885.1
Electric heating, cooking, welding, etc.....	2,148	77	2,689.6
Sale of current to other electric companies.....	212,375	(2)	.....
Charging automobiles.....	1,050	9	(3)
All other electric service.....	72,166	4,390	1,643.6
From sale of supplies and fixtures.....	240,704	(2)	.....
From all other sources.....	474,665	107,911	139.8
Estimated amount of income lost because of free service furnished municipality or other government.....	33,697	(1)	.....

<sup>1</sup> Not reported.

<sup>2</sup> Not reported separately.

<sup>3</sup> Increased one hundred and eighteen fold.

From the large amount of income from "Lighting" it is evident that the railway companies are engaging extensively in this branch of the industry and are relying upon it for a substantial part of their income. The total income from lighting increased from \$5,492,669 in 1902 to \$13,273,295 in 1907, or 141.7 per cent. The commercial lighting consists principally in supplying current for incandescent lamps in private houses and places of business and for electric signs, while the public lighting consists in supplying current for arc, incandescent, or other lamps used in lighting buildings and streets for a municipality or other government.

Commercial lighting is by far the most important source of income, although the increase in the stationary-motor and other classes of service has tended to decrease its relative importance.

There was a decided development in the stationary-motor service, and the increase in the income from this source in 1907 as compared with 1902 amounted to \$1,916,973, or 249.6 per cent. The reported income does not include the income from small fan motors, which are usually supplied with current through the meters employed to measure the lighting service. The increase in the income from the sale of current to other railway companies indicates the development of the tendency, especially in cities and suburban centers, for roads having no power houses, or generating insufficient power, to purchase current. The amounts received from "all other sources" represent principally rents, steam and hot-water heating, and labor and material for wiring.

It should be noted that the railway companies furnish considerable current to municipal and other governments free of charge, but it was impossible to ob-

tain a complete report of such service from all companies. It was estimated that the income lost during 1907 on account of this free service amounted to \$33,697.

For further information concerning the utilization of electric current, reference should be made to the special report on Central Electric Light and Power Stations, where the statistics for the sale of current for all commercial purposes are presented.

*Description of service.*—The number of lamps, motors, and meters wired for service by the companies for which the income is shown in Table 166 are given in the following table:

TABLE 167.—Electric light and power plants operated by electric railways—Service equipment: 1907 and 1902.

CHARACTER OF SERVICE.	EQUIPMENT.		Per cent of increase.
	1907	1902	
Number of operating companies.....	177	118	50.0
Arc lighting—number of lamps in service:			
Aggregate.....	80,102	33,803	136.5
Commercial.....	50,674	16,185	213.1
Open.....	4,491	2,682	73.9
Inclosed.....	46,183	13,603	239.5
Public.....	29,428	17,678	66.5
Open.....	4,044	10,868	157.3
Inclosed.....	24,784	6,810	263.9
Direct current.....	22,619	20,430	10.7
Commercial.....	11,895	8,872	34.1
Open.....	882	2,413	163.4
Inclosed.....	11,013	6,459	70.5
Public.....	10,724	11,567	17.3
Open.....	4,504	10,495	157.1
Inclosed.....	6,220	1,072	480.2
Alternating current.....	57,483	13,424	328.2
Commercial.....	38,779	7,313	430.3
Open.....	3,069	169	2,035.5
Inclosed.....	35,710	7,144	392.3
Public.....	18,704	6,111	206.1
Open.....	140	373	162.5
Inclosed.....	18,564	5,738	223.5
Incandescent lighting—number of lamps in service:			
Aggregate.....	4,545,839	1,442,685	215.1
Commercial.....	4,487,081	1,423,659	215.2
Public.....	58,158	19,026	205.7
Sixteen candlepower.....	3,020,237	1,320,368	195.6
Commercial.....	3,871,786	1,313,303	194.8
Public.....	48,451	13,065	270.8
Thirty-two candlepower.....	219,402	32,716	570.9
Commercial.....	217,228	31,597	587.6
Public.....	2,204	1,119	102.3
All other candlepower.....	400,110	83,601	385.8
Commercial.....	398,667	78,759	406.2
Public.....	7,443	4,842	53.7
Other electric lighting (Nernst, vacuum, vapor, etc.)—number of lamps in service:			
Total.....	28,641	(2)	.....
Commercial.....	28,207	(2)	.....
Public.....	374	(2)	.....
Stationary motors:			
Number.....	20,468	10,049	103.7
Horsepower.....	158,923	35,688	345.3
Meters on consumption circuits, number.....	213,886	66,601	277.9

<sup>1</sup> Decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Not reported.

The increase in lighting service, measured by number of lamps, was largest in the use of incandescents, which show an increase of 215.1 per cent, as compared with a gain of 136.5 per cent in the arc service; furthermore, the growth of commercial service is much greater than that of public service. The distribution of the incandescent lamps reported has remained constant—that is, 98.7 per cent of them were for commercial service and 1.3 per cent for public service in both 1902 and 1907; on the other hand, the arc lamps in public service constituted 52.2 per cent of the total number of arc lamps reported

in 1902 but only 36.7 per cent in 1907, and the commercial arc lamps increased from 47.8 per cent of the total number in 1902 to 63.3 per cent in 1907.

Although the number of arc lamps increased from 33,863 in 1902 to 80,102 in 1907, or 136.5 per cent, this gain was wholly in inclosed arcs, which increased from 20,413 to 70,967, or 247.7 per cent, while the open arcs in use decreased from 13,450 to 9,135, or 32.1 per cent. The loss in number of open arcs was entirely in the arcs in public service. The number in commercial service increased from 2,582 to 4,491, or 73.9 per cent, while the number in public service decreased from 10,868 to 4,644, or 57.3 per cent. The inclosed arcs formed 88.6 per cent of the total number of arcs in use in 1907, as compared with 60.3 per cent for 1902.

The statistics in regard to stationary-motor service show that the average horsepower capacity per motor

in 1907 was more than twice that for 1902, the averages being 7.76 for 1907 and 3.55 for 1902.

In addition to the lamps from which the railway companies received an income, practically all companies reported the use of lamps in lighting their own properties—offices, power houses, shops, car houses, and pleasure resorts. In 1907 there were 141,998 incandescent lamps, 2,606 arc lamps, and 581 lamps of other varieties used for this purpose by the railway companies having light and power departments, as compared with 25,120 incandescent lamps and 743 arc lamps in 1902. All these lamps received current from the railway power plants.

*Income and description of service, by states and territories.*—Tables 168 and 169, which follow, are detailed summaries, by states and territories, of the income and equipment of electric light and power plants operated by electric railways for 1907.

TABLE 168.—ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER PLANTS OPERATED BY ELECTRIC RAILWAYS—INCOME BY CLASS OF SERVICE, BY STATES AND TERRITORIES: 1907.

INCOME BY CLASS OF SERVICE.																	Estimated amount of income lost because of free service furnished municipality or other government.
STATE OR TERRITORY.	Number of operating companies.	Aggregate.	Commercial lighting.	Public lighting (furnished municipality or other government for buildings and streets).				Stationary-motor services.	Electric-railway service (exclusive of company's own cars).	Electric heating, cooking, welding, etc.	Sale of current to other electric companies.	Charging automobiles.	All other electric service.	Sale of supplies and fixtures.	All other sources.		
				Total.	Arc lamps.	Incandescent lamps.	Other lamps (Nernst, vacuum, vapor, etc.).										
United States	177	\$17,201,824	\$11,018,338	\$2,254,057	\$1,953,874	\$207,188	\$3,805	\$2,085,013	\$330,509	\$2,148	\$212,375	\$1,050	\$72,150	\$240,704	\$174,506	\$33,607	
Alabama	5	671,425	528,840	57,789	57,140	643		84,790								200	
Arkansas	5	383,631	310,105	21,419	14,798	6,621		39,529					3,172		408		
Florida	5	380,022	290,007	30,200	20,725	9,475		49,427					57	2,896	1,435	1,195	
Georgia	7	1,408,822	905,998	203,746	182,902	20,844		284,938	15,510	2,510			12,204	6,021	7,835	1,000	
Illinois	12	943,859	594,309	90,000	87,919	2,071	1,000	106,604	37,589	40		75		5,120	109,060	1,600	
Indiana	7	331,342	211,081	50,429	58,082	747		43,710		1,000				4,002	11,460	25	
Iowa	11	594,884	323,490	105,208	102,745	2,493	60	103,001	6,000	200	1,800	240	867	24,092	29,806	2,900	
Kansas	3	146,000	55,642	40,208	24,083	24,525		27,074		30				14,715		1,800	
Maine	3	188,450	137,535	18,102	13,288	4,814		29,618	1,800	102		20		1,011	208	52	
Michigan	7	345,813	198,807	57,522	40,579	7,943		30,778	34,445	210				23,911	134		
Mississippi	6	317,855	228,481	93,872	50,828	1,581	2,403	15,400					300	8,901	901		
Missouri	4	274,929	179,020	16,085	14,885	1,200		45,852						347	33,625		
New York	11	621,856	292,623	230,750	114,763	124,987		74,058	5,671				581	519	8,654	200	
North Carolina	8	491,081	325,224	64,408	61,690	2,718		81,282	2,694				43	13,967	3,403		
Ohio	20	1,597,195	891,209	293,346	278,129	14,845	372	210,712	13,409	100	52,170	613		30,689	104,947	3,470	
Pennsylvania	7	104,703	75,614	17,832	15,637	2,195		9,422				10		1,825		400	
South Carolina	3	438,911	221,289	51,004	45,037	5,967		104,156					1,034		1,428		
Tennessee	3	700,100	510,304	24,500	24,500			146,798					18,498				
Texas	4	484,860	360,420	30,650	18,431	12,219		93,058						732			
Virginia	10	1,444,693	956,696	165,786	154,875	10,911		172,207	129,155				10,575	1,637	8,527		
Washington	6	1,295,428	866,494	31,903	25,693	6,210		221,085	15,519			50		40,544	119,833	862	
West Virginia	7	326,752	213,817	69,106	62,496	6,610		9,102	14,180				17,220	3,318	2,127		
Wisconsin	7	1,024,621	565,637	200,352	190,727	625		194,135		250		51	1,840	42,122	20,184	3,175	
All other states and territories	16	2,684,017	1,700,640	286,660	256,710	29,944		448,121	54,618	150	155,895		5,705	10,987	9,335	14,682	

<sup>1</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: California, 1; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 1; Kentucky, 2; Louisiana, 2; Maryland, 1; Massachusetts, 1; Minnesota, 1; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New Mexico, 1; and Utah, 1.

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TABLE 169.—ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER PLANTS OPERATED BY

		ARC LIGHTING—NUMBER OF LAMPS IN SERVICE.													
STATE OR TERRITORY.		Number of operating com- panies.													
			Aggre- gate.	Total.				Direct current.				Alternating current.			
				Commercial.		Public.		Commercial.		Public.		Commercial.		Public.	
				Open.	Inclosed.	Open.	Inclosed.	Open.	Inclosed.	Open.	Inclosed.	Open.	Inclosed.	Open.	Inclosed.
United States...		177	80,102	4,491	46,183	4,644	24,784	882	11,013	4,504	6,220	3,609	35,170	140	18,564
1	Alabama.....	5	2,633	.....	1,759	.....	874	.....	1,015	.....	.....	.....	744	.....	874
2	Arkansas.....	5	1,527	.....	1,368	.....	159	.....	350	.....	.....	.....	1,018	.....	159
3	Florida.....	5	745	109	287	.....	349	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	287	.....	349
4	Georgia.....	7	6,172	104	3,308	727	1,973	101	1,055	707	239	3	1,653	20	1,734
5	Illinois.....	12	4,000	103	2,447	278	1,271	.....	1,141	278	640	103	1,300	.....	631
6	Indiana.....	7	2,133	.....	1,196	74	863	.....	.....	74	661	.....	1,196	.....	202
7	Iowa.....	11	2,886	38	1,219	234	1,395	30	140	234	51	8	1,079	.....	1,344
8	Kansas.....	3	483	39	53	93	208	39	5	93	.....	.....	48	.....	208
9	Maine.....	3	658	.....	454	104	100	.....	101	104	52	.....	353	.....	48
10	Michigan.....	7	1,308	.....	590	89	629	.....	.....	89	.....	.....	590	.....	629
11	Mississippi.....	6	899	.....	254	.....	645	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	254	.....	645
12	Missouri.....	4	1,079	.....	890	.....	180	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	890	.....	180
13	New York.....	11	2,566	759	306	163	1,338	.....	31	103	400	759	275	.....	938
14	North Carolina.....	8	1,821	.....	837	104	700	.....	.....	104	.....	.....	837	.....	700
15	Ohio.....	20	7,152	.....	2,650	359	4,134	.....	1,208	249	2,555	.....	1,301	110	1,579
16	Pennsylvania.....	7	619	.....	338	14	267	.....	12	14	.....	.....	326	.....	267
17	South Carolina.....	3	1,114	.....	432	.....	682	.....	.....	.....	275	.....	432	.....	407
18	Tennessee.....	3	3,914	2,705	809	.....	340	62	.....	.....	.....	2,703	809	.....	340
19	Texas.....	4	540	7	209	.....	234	.....	12	.....	.....	7	237	.....	234
20	Virginia.....	10	5,956	42	3,305	483	2,126	42	1,013	483	270	.....	1,392	.....	1,855
21	Washington.....	6	3,340	.....	2,032	.....	408	.....	1,474	.....	.....	.....	1,458	.....	408
22	West Virginia.....	7	1,259	.....	325	.....	934	.....	.....	.....	34	.....	325	.....	900
23	Wisconsin.....	7	5,391	420	1,773	1,348	1,850	420	1,057	1,348	15	.....	710	.....	1,835
24	All other states and ter- ritories. <sup>1</sup>	10	21,808	45	18,343	484	2,936	10	800	474	1,028	26	17,534	10	1,908

<sup>1</sup> Includes states and territories as follows: California, 1; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 1; Kentucky, 2; Louisiana, 2; Maryland, 1; Massachusetts, 1; Minnesota, 1; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New Mexico, 1; and Utah, 1.



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ELECTRIC RAILWAYS—SERVICE EQUIPMENT, BY STATES AND TERRITORIES: 1907.

INCANDESCENT LIGHTING—NUMBER OF LAMPS IN SERVICE.									OTHER ELECTRIC LIGHTING (NEERNST, VACUUM, VAPOR, ETC.)—NUMBER OF LAMPS IN SERVICE.			STATIONARY MOTORS.		Number of meters on con- sumption circuits.
Aggregate.	Total.		16 candlepower.		32 candlepower.		All other candle- power.		Total.	Com- mercial.	Public.	Number.	Horse- power.	
	Com- mercial.	Public.	Com- mercial.	Public.	Com- mercial.	Public.	Com- mercial.	Public.						
4,545,839	4,487,081	58,158	3,871,786	48,451	217,228	2,204	308,667	7,443	28,641	28,267	374	20,468	158,023	213,886
151,108	151,003	105	150,648	105	355	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	989	4,923	9,331
88,897	88,404	493	78,219	-----	1,302	131	8,823	302	1	1	-----	898	2,420	6,305
83,066	81,790	1,276	81,165	1,235	250	-----	375	41	71	71	-----	580	2,624	5,404
322,843	320,761	2,082	313,261	1,536	7,500	-----	-----	546	197	197	-----	1,853	14,377	12,572
270,367	270,193	174	238,140	100	7,837	54	24,216	20	301	114	277	1,490	5,952	10,862
91,304	91,178	120	72,989	106	4,473	-----	13,716	20	80	80	-----	473	2,123	4,842
150,093	150,289	404	114,592	245	6,620	159	20,077	-----	2,838	2,832	6	947	5,408	7,356
30,000	29,000	7,000	5,200	6,500	22,300	160	1,500	350	05	05	-----	164	1,491	1,787
82,363	82,036	327	60,074	238	7,854	75	13,208	14	202	202	-----	283	2,270	2,353
103,462	100,902	2,560	92,740	2,371	2,550	85	5,612	104	-----	-----	-----	527	3,277	5,360
66,240	65,620	620	58,020	405	5,000	215	1,700	-----	204	148	56	151	1,065	4,160
88,030	88,820	110	65,609	60	22,578	-----	243	50	22	22	-----	392	2,021	3,906
134,363	124,273	10,090	119,097	5,051	1,451	21	3,125	5,018	-----	-----	-----	482	5,446	5,434
126,131	124,681	1,450	102,882	1,460	3,097	-----	18,162	-----	380	380	-----	550	5,043	6,562
522,022	516,409	5,553	386,692	5,198	32,705	150	97,072	205	1,335	1,300	35	2,275	17,613	19,211
31,331	31,057	274	25,988	150	564	116	4,505	8	-----	-----	-----	70	451	1,251
115,767	110,370	5,397	101,370	5,391	6,000	6	3,000	-----	169	169	-----	339	7,508	3,629
191,491	191,491	-----	177,439	-----	3,750	-----	10,293	-----	31	31	-----	801	10,083	9,288
82,656	80,811	1,845	80,811	1,845	-----	-----	-----	-----	9,251	9,251	-----	275	3,349	5,729
373,928	372,713	1,215	284,321	849	7,030	230	81,362	136	22	22	-----	894	15,410	15,553
293,672	292,068	1,604	276,518	1,564	1,635	40	13,915	-----	566	566	-----	1,614	12,861	22,181
88,967	78,571	10,396	68,662	10,005	4,450	301	5,450	-----	187	187	-----	153	857	4,171
382,724	382,278	446	381,278	390	-----	50	1,000	-----	11,108	11,108	-----	1,914	13,121	12,708
607,514	602,903	4,611	533,281	3,651	67,240	391	62,373	569	1,551	1,551	-----	2,348	18,625	33,871